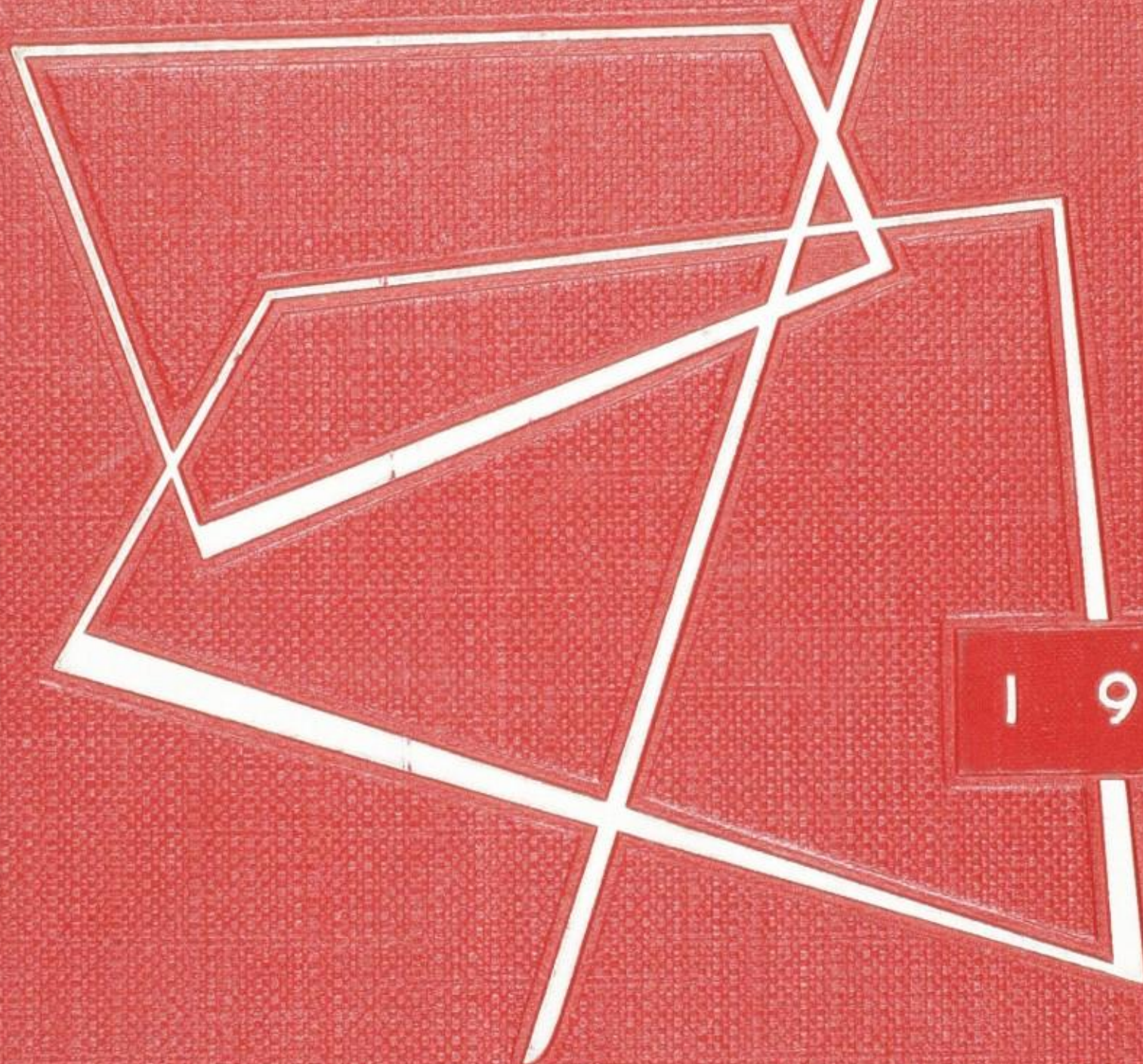


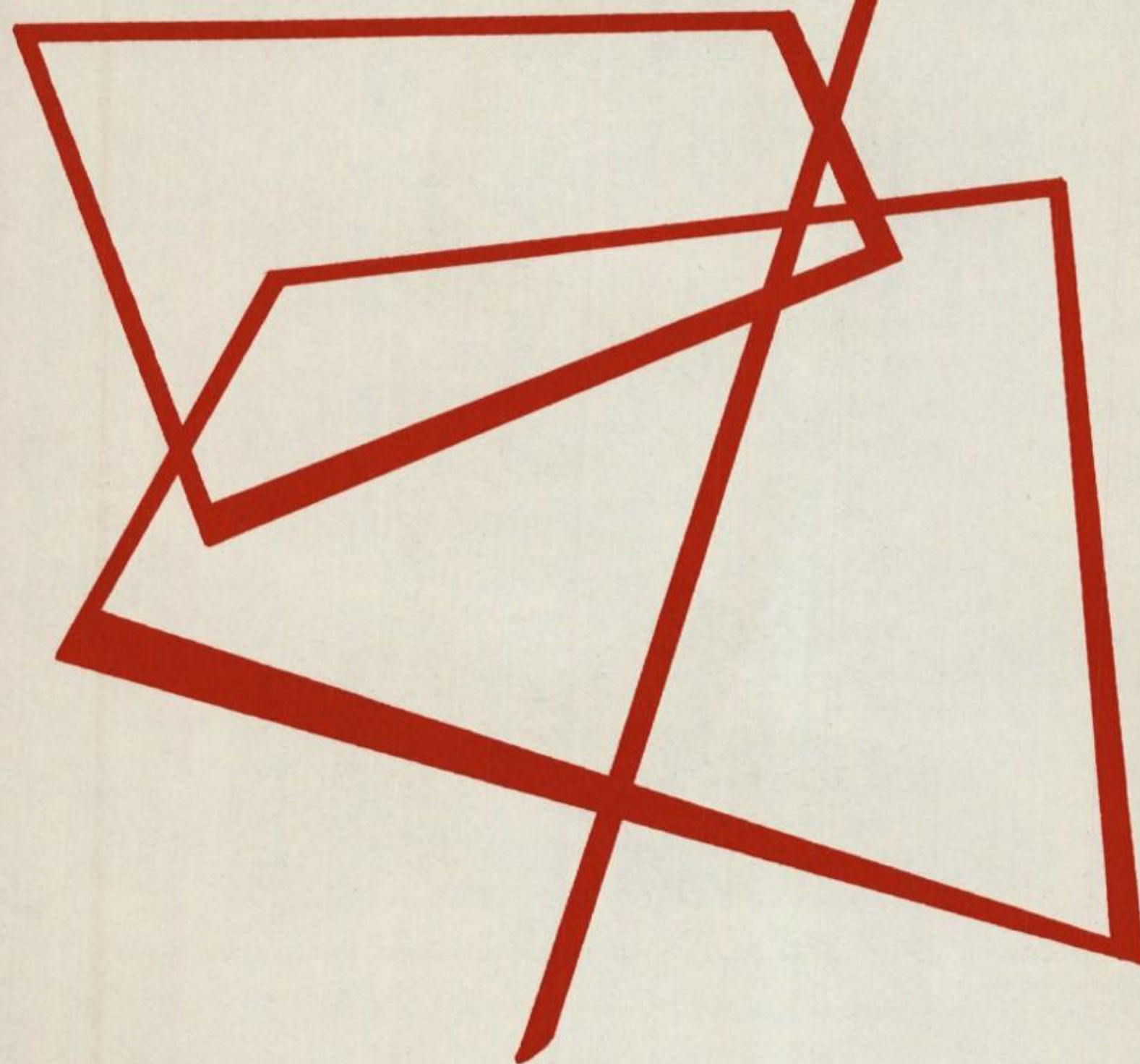


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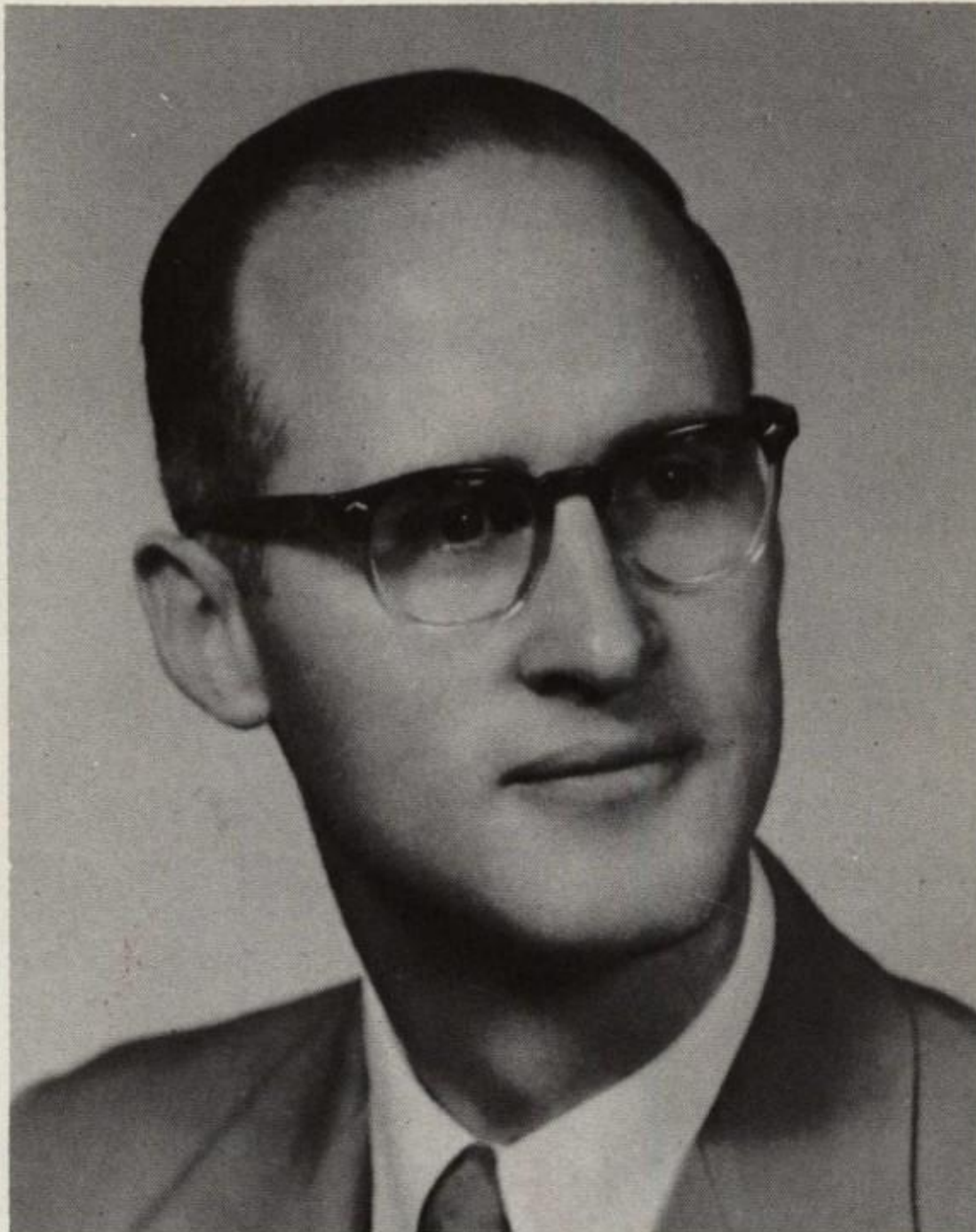
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**Portage High School,
Portage, Michigan
1956**

We Dedicate



To Mr. Martin, our principal, a man with high ideals and standards whom we hold in very high regard.

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Foreword

" . . . but sometime ere the end,
Some work of noble note, may yet be done,
Not unbecoming men that strove with Gods.
The lights begin to twinkle from the rocks:
The long day wanes: the slow moon climbs: the deep
Moans round with many voices. Come, my friends,
'Tis not too late to seek a newer world."

from "Ulysses", by Tennyson

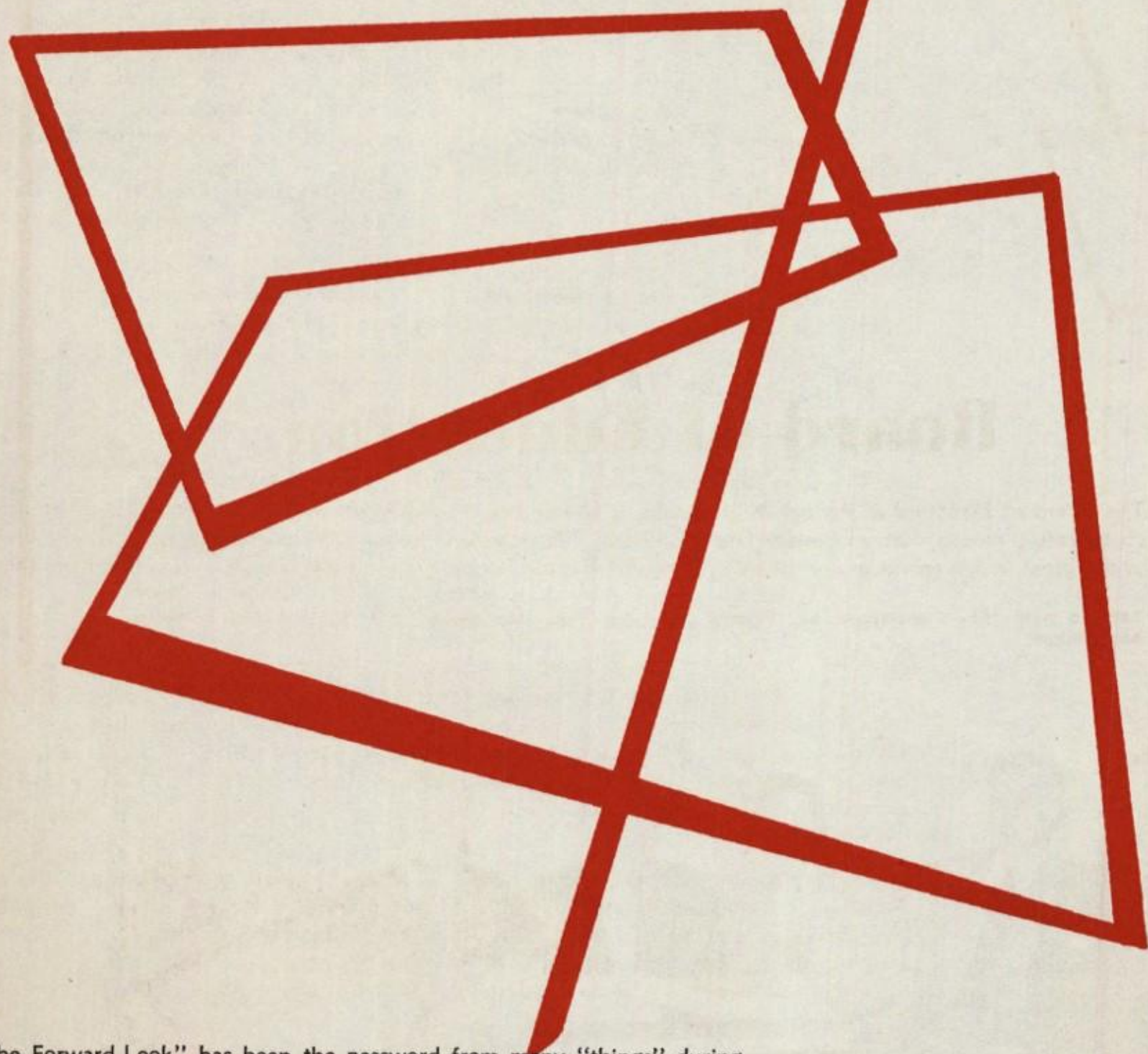
Board of Education

The Board of Directors at Portage High School is by far one of the most understanding and co-operative groups that you could find anywhere. All you need to do is take a good look at the great improvement in our school system. A big cheer to our Board of Education.

Left to right: Mr. Plantefaber, Mr. Warner, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Branch, Mr. Whisler, Mr. Brouwer, Mr. Bekken.



Foreword



"The Forward Look" has been the password from many "things" during our High School Career. It has been applied to automobiles, television, airplanes, jets, modern appliances and nearly every new development in science and industry. We, the Senior Class of '56, also have had a "Forward Look." We have been looking forward to our graduation and the life that lies ahead. Our research laboratory has been Portage High School and the technicians, our teachers. As experimental substances, we have been tested, molded, guided, tried and troubled. Some have not been able to survive, others have. Some of it was dreadful but we know now, that we are at the treshhold of a new and wonderful experience and that all the effort has not been in vain. We only hope that society will accept the product and find it useful and an item of which to be proud.

We will strive to pass this test also as we become good workers, good mothers and fathers and good citizens.

The Editor

Calendar

SEPTEMBER . . .

School opens . . . Cheerleader Elections . . . Get acquainted dance "Welcome Back Zack!" . . . Sophistocats of Swing . . . Football . . . Ludington here 19-0 . . . We won! . . . South Haven there 20-7 . . . Otsego here 13-0 . . . We won! . . . Cross Country . . . Plainwell . . . We won! . . . Otsego . . . We lost! . . . Hastings . . . We won! . . . Yearbook starts . . . First Bugle out . . . Dance after Ludington Game . . . "The Cats" . . . Senior Pictures Taken . . . also Faculty . . . First Roller Skating Party . . .

OCTOBER . . .

Football . . . Hastings here 13-0 . . . us . . . Homecoming . . . State High Here . . . Plainwell here 13-7 . . . us . . . Dad's Night . . . Allegan 12-6 . . . us . . . Cross Country . . . Hastings . . . us . . . State High . . . us . . . Regional Meet . . . St. A. and Vicksburg here . . . us . . . Allegan there . . . we won . . . Dance . . . Sophs. of Swing . . . Junior Class Rings arrive . . . Pep Rally . . . Homecoming Queen and King . . . Judy Johnson and Howard Wilcox . . . Magazine Sales Start and End . . . Jr. Class selling Xmas cards . . . Senior Play cast chosen . . . Band goes to U. of M. . . M.E.A. Conference . . . no school . . . Halloween Party . . .

NOVEMBER . . .

Poe Theater . . . special assembly . . . Yearbook Subscriptions start . . . Inter-School Council meets at Portage . . . College Night at Central . . . Senior Play . . . Thanksgiving Assembly . . . vacation . . . Roller Skating Party . . . Football . . . Vicksburg there 19-0 . . . us . . . St. A. here 13-6 . . . us . . .

DECEMBER . . .

Varsity Drag Dance . . . Pep Assembly . . . Allegan game . . . Christmas Assembly . . . vacation . . . Christmas Formal "Snowflake Whirl" . . . Bob Davidson Orch. . . Jane Schuring and Don Decker Reign . . . Basketball Games . . . S. Haven there 53-49 . . . us . . . H. Christian there 42-40 . . . us . . . Allegan there . . . Plainwell here . . . St. A. there . . . Dance after Plainwell game. . .

JANUARY . . .

School resumes after Xmas vacation . . . Basketball . . . State High there . . . Otsego here . . . Allegan there . . . Vicksburg here . . . S. Haven here . . . Dances after Otsego and Vicksburg games . . . Exams . . . end of semester . . . Senior Band Winter Concert . . . County Pie Baking Contest . . . here . . .

FEBRUARY . . .

Basketball games . . . Ionia here . . . Plainwell there . . . State High here . . . Otsego there . . . Globetrotters at Portage . . . All Star Band Festival . . . Three Rivers . . . Dance after Ionia Game . . . Ken Morgan . . . Solo Ensemble Festival . . . Special Assembly . . . Dr. Glenn Cunningham . . . Special Assembly . . . The Haaker Story . . . piano . . .

MARCH . . .

Band and Orchestra . . . District Festival . . . Sturgis . . . Basketball . . . District and Regional Tournament . . . Portage . . . Skating party . . . last one . . . Easter Assembly . . .

APRIL . . .

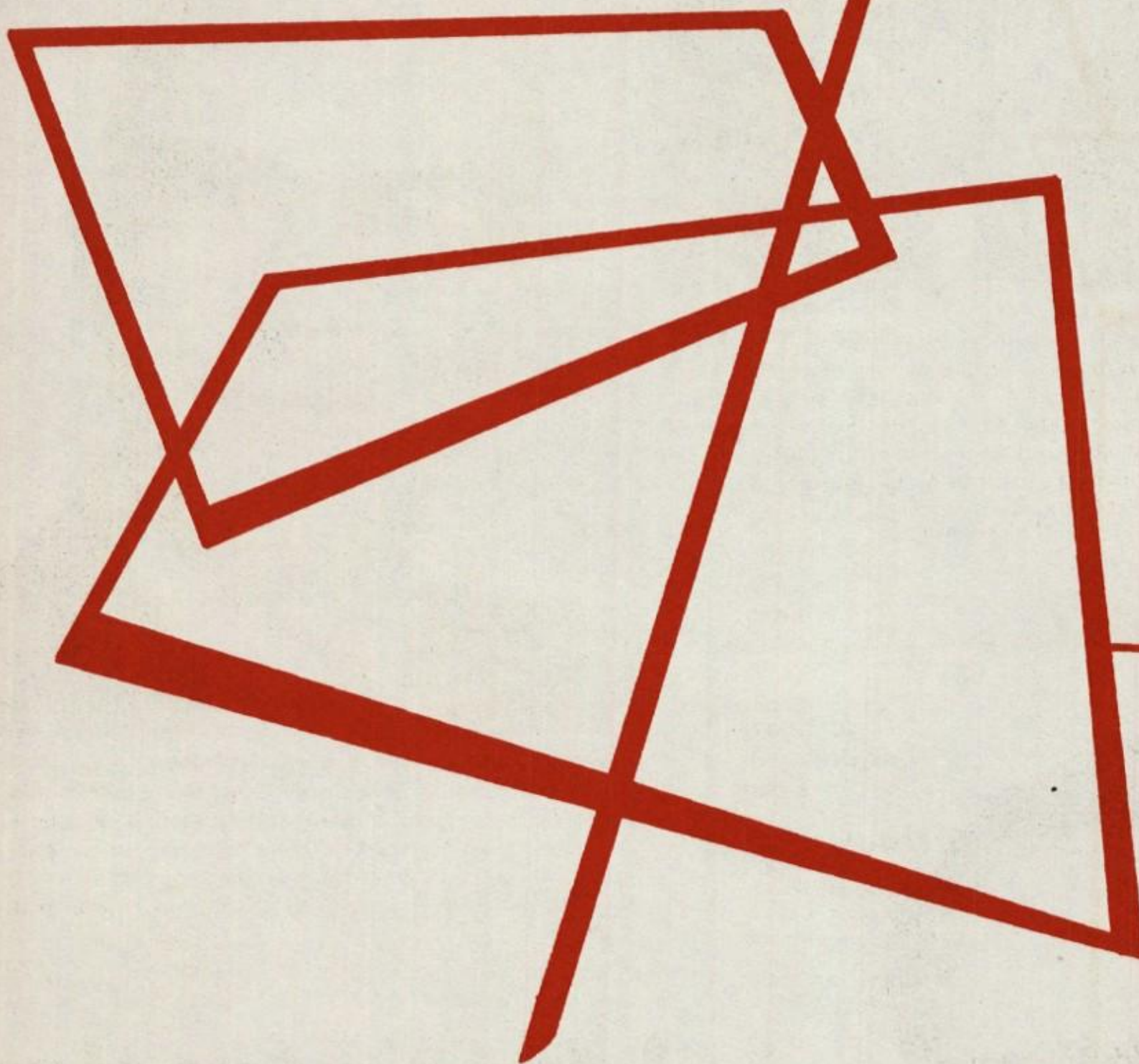
Spring Vacation . . . Special Assembly . . . Liquid Air . . . John Sloan . . . Junior Play . . . Special Assembly . . . T. J. Corgan . . . Our Changing World . . . Student Council Elections . . . Track . . . Baseball . . . Tennis . . . starting . . .

MAY . . .

Instrumental Music Concert . . . Variety Show . . . Gypsy Hideaway . . . Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom . . . Holiday . . . no school . . .

JUNE . . .

Baccalaureate . . . Commencement . . . Last day of school . . . picnic . . . Alumni Banquet . . . Portage cafeteria . . . so long . . .

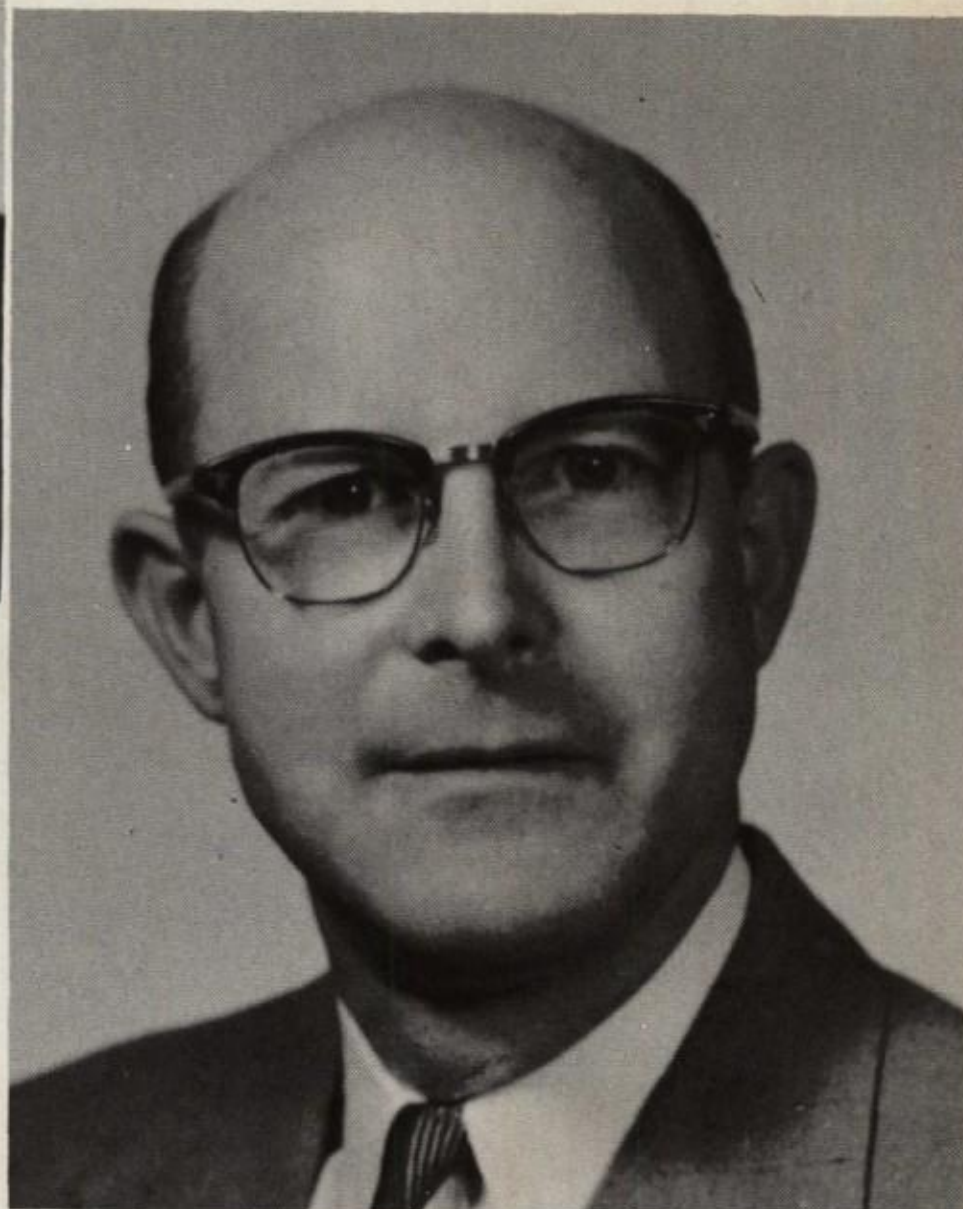
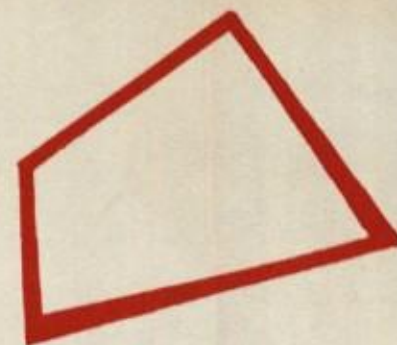


ADMIN.



MR. WILKINSON, SUPERINTENDENT

Briskly pacing down the hall, perhaps to answer the telephone or interview a prospective teacher, or possibly late for an important meeting—whatever it is, we know our superintendent, Mr. Wilkinson is just taking another step to the betterment of our school. With a character best described as understanding, congenial and thoughtful, he merits the admiration of every student and teacher. At school or in the field of service, the youth whom he has inspired are bearing the banner of high ideals.



MR. BEKKEN, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

When you come to school each morning on one of those shiny yellow buses, slide down those halls on those slick slippery floors and have the service of other school facilities you can give a hand to the Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Bekken.

With his every effort he provides us with many things that we are unaware of.



Administration

MR. VERMEULEN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

That last mad dash when the bell rings didn't quite get you in the room? Well, you'll be tromping to the office of our Assistant Principal, Mr. Vermeulen to get his "John Henry." Most of us at some time or another appear in his office to get that stamped or unstamped excuse.

As director of school activities he advises the Student Council and Friday nights find him in the gym making preparations for the dance.

His time is divided between his duties inside of school as well as those outside of school such as the Inter-school Council.



Mrs. Bockstanz

The receptionist in the Business Office is Mrs. Bockstanz. Besides answering a great many questions, she is responsible for doing much of the ordering of supplies and equipment. Smiling and cheerful, she'll look for lost articles or type a million dollar order out. It doesn't matter which, it's all in a days work.

Secretaries



Mrs. Garlick

As the secretary to our superintendent, Mrs. Garlick is very helpful and necessary. With the rapid growth of our school system her duties become greater and greater. Typing letters, answering a million questions, keeping activities straight, typing the newsletter and acting as receptionist to the school keeps her mighty busy.



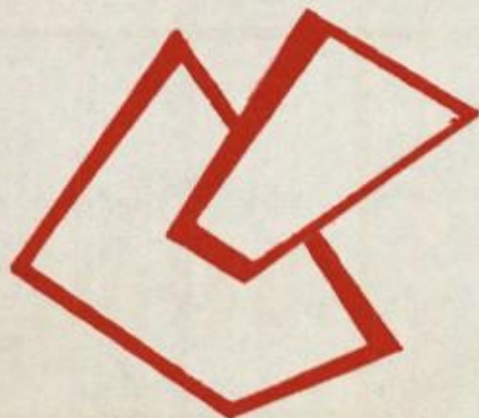
Mrs. Livingston

Keeping the financial records of Portage High School, is Mrs. Livingston with her excellent bookkeeping. You can find her in the Business Office, smiling, efficient and hard-working.



Mrs. Schuring

Greeting us in the cafeteria entrance is Mrs. Schuring. The cafeteria finances are recorded by her and she collects the lunch money from the students. Pleasant to see and fun to talk to, she will "relieve" you of your money.



Mrs. Meyer

Our High School secretary, Mrs. Meyer, does a wonderful job of aiding everyone. Be it principal, student, janitor or teacher she is always ready (and smilingly so) to help. Few graduate from our high school without getting a helping hand or sound piece of advice from her.



FRED BAILEY
Record Keeping
Typing



VERN BOSS
U.S. History



KATHRYN BUEHLER
History
English



ITALO "Ace" CANDOL
Varsity Football
Assistant Track
Mathematics
Guidance Counselor

Faculty



OTTO CERDA
English
Guidance Counselor

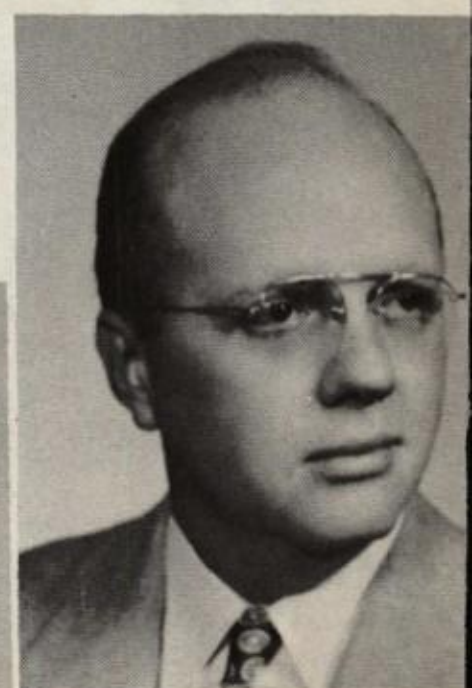
ED CLONEY
Shop
Intramural Athletics
Noon Hour Activities

ROBERT FRIES
Social Science
Guidance Director



VIRGINIA DAVIS
Art
Yearbook
Staging

CHARLES EVANS
Physical Education





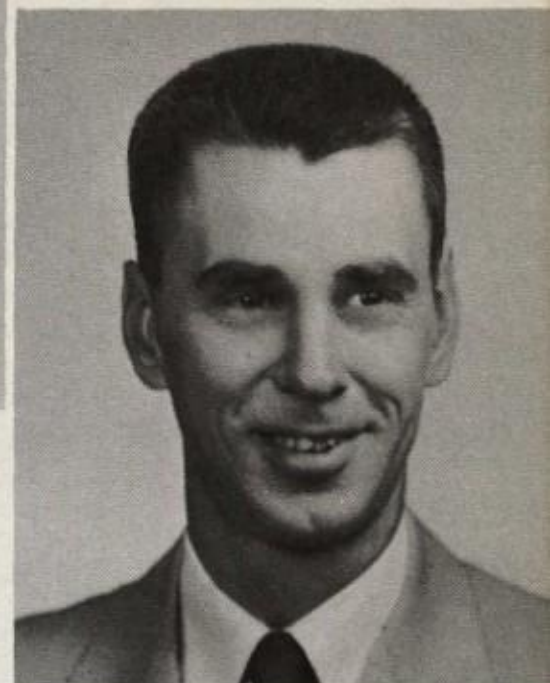
MAXINE GELICK
Commercial



ANTHONY GIANNUNZIO
English
Public Relations



EDWARD GRAU
Varsity Basketball
Assistant Football



JAMES HART
Mathematics
Baseball

Faculty



CONRAD HINZ
Varsity Football



FRANCIS HISCOCK
Trade Mathematics
Shop
Co-op

JOYCE HORTON
School Nurse
Future Nurses Advisor

BARBARA KREMBLE
English



RAYMOND KENNEDY
Industrial Arts



ERNIE KIRKMAN
Athletic Director
Physical Education





CHARLES LAHTI
Chemistry
Biology



ROBERT LEE
Instrumental Music



ELOISE McCORKLE
Health



ROBERT MOON
Industrial Arts
Driver Training

Faculty



JOHN OVERHISER
Social Living
U.S. History
Debate

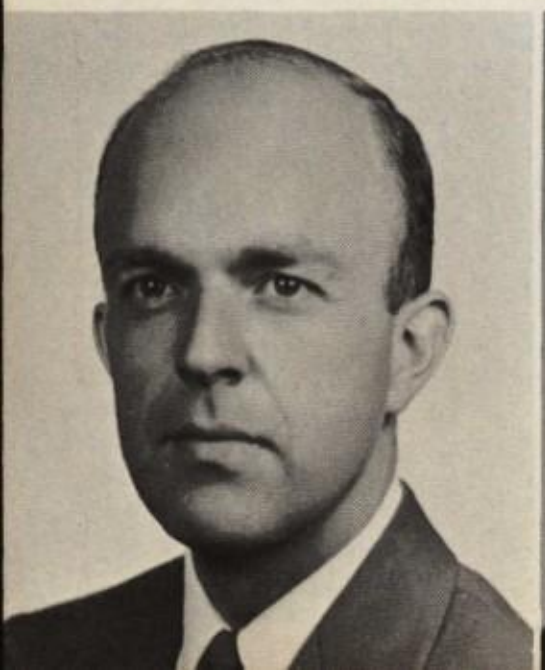


JAMES PELLOWE
General Science
Physics



EDWIN RICHARDSON
Librarian
Audio-visual

FREEMAN RUSSELL
Instrumental Music



ELEANOR SMITH
Bookkeeping
Typing



JEAN SMITH
Physical Education
G.A.A.



LAWTON K. SMITH
Driver Education
Safety Director





JACK STERNER
Spanish
English



HELEN SUMMERS
Languages
Dramatics
Guidance Counselor



MARGARET TAYLOR
Head of Home Economics
Director of School Lunch
Dietitian



DEL THUSIUS
Vocal Music

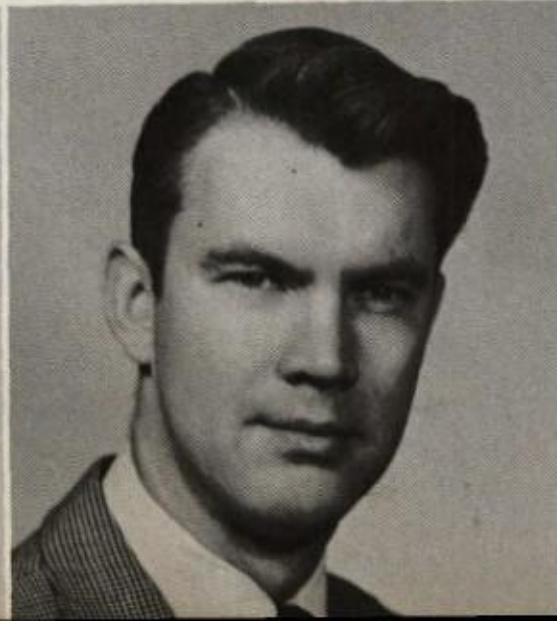
Faculty

GARRETT VELD
Speech Correctionist
Reserve Basketball
Reserve Football

MARGUERITE WHITCOMB
Home Economics

HARRY WILKLOW
Community Living
Public Relations

BETTY WOLBERS
Home Economics





Front row (left to right): Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Foltz, Mrs. Lamson, Mrs. Torgeson, Mrs. Smith. Back row: Mrs. Tillema, Mrs. Barringer, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Slater, Cashier, Mrs. Schuring, dietitian, Mrs. Taylor.

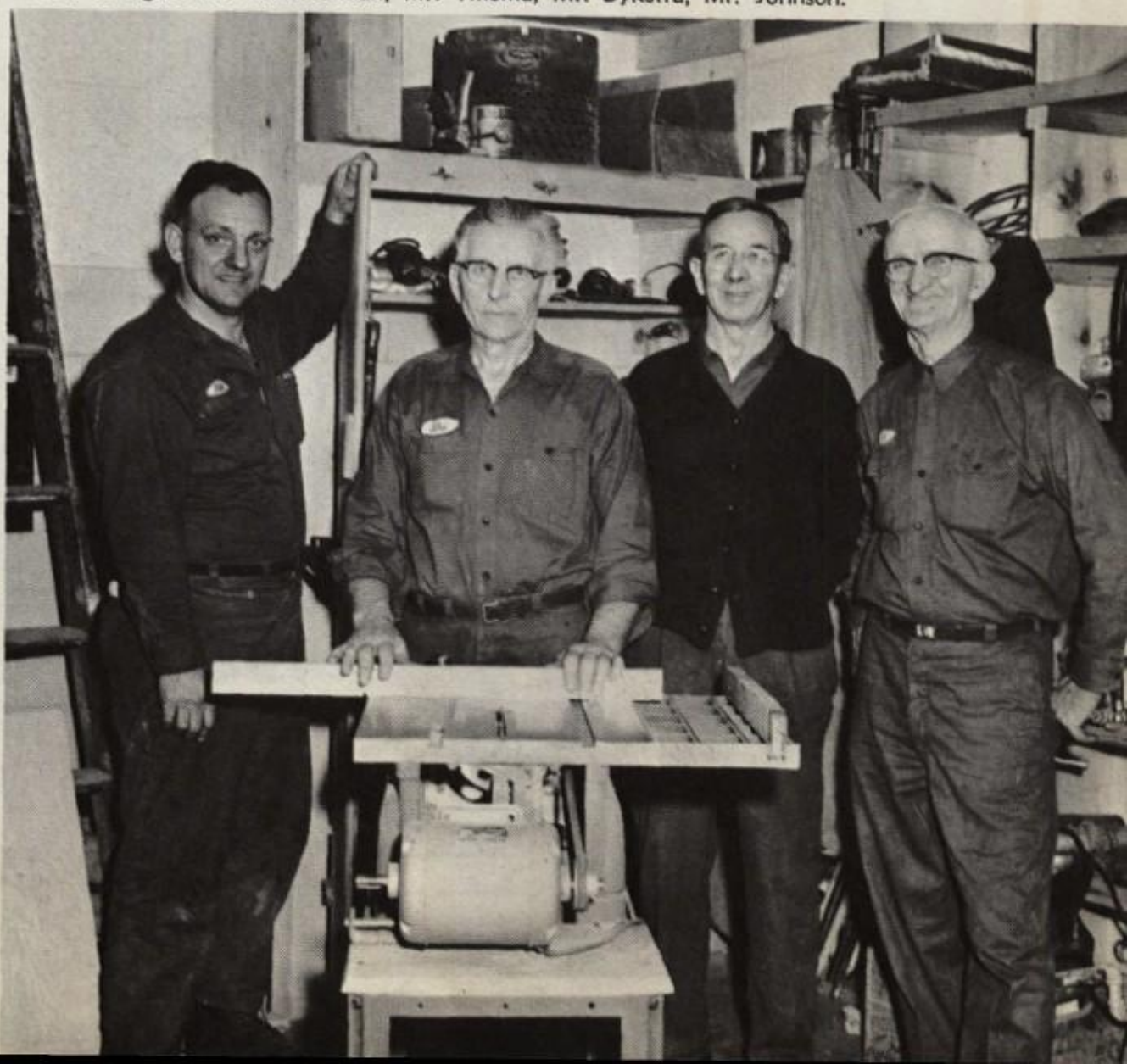
The cooks have excelled this year in giving us food that is superior in every way. We feel that the whole cafeteria staff is to be commended for serving such a wide variety of food and for such a reasonable price. The expansion of the cooking facilities and the making of the new exit has made for better and faster service.

Cafeteria Staff

Custodians

Our school is always clean and neat. The students are cognizant of this fact and do really appreciate it. The main reason behind this spotlessness is our wonderful janitorial staff and fine maintenance men. These men take great pride in knowing that all is in order and hope that you feel the same.

Left to right: Mr. Kloosterman, Mr. Tillema, Mr. Dykstra, Mr. Johnson.

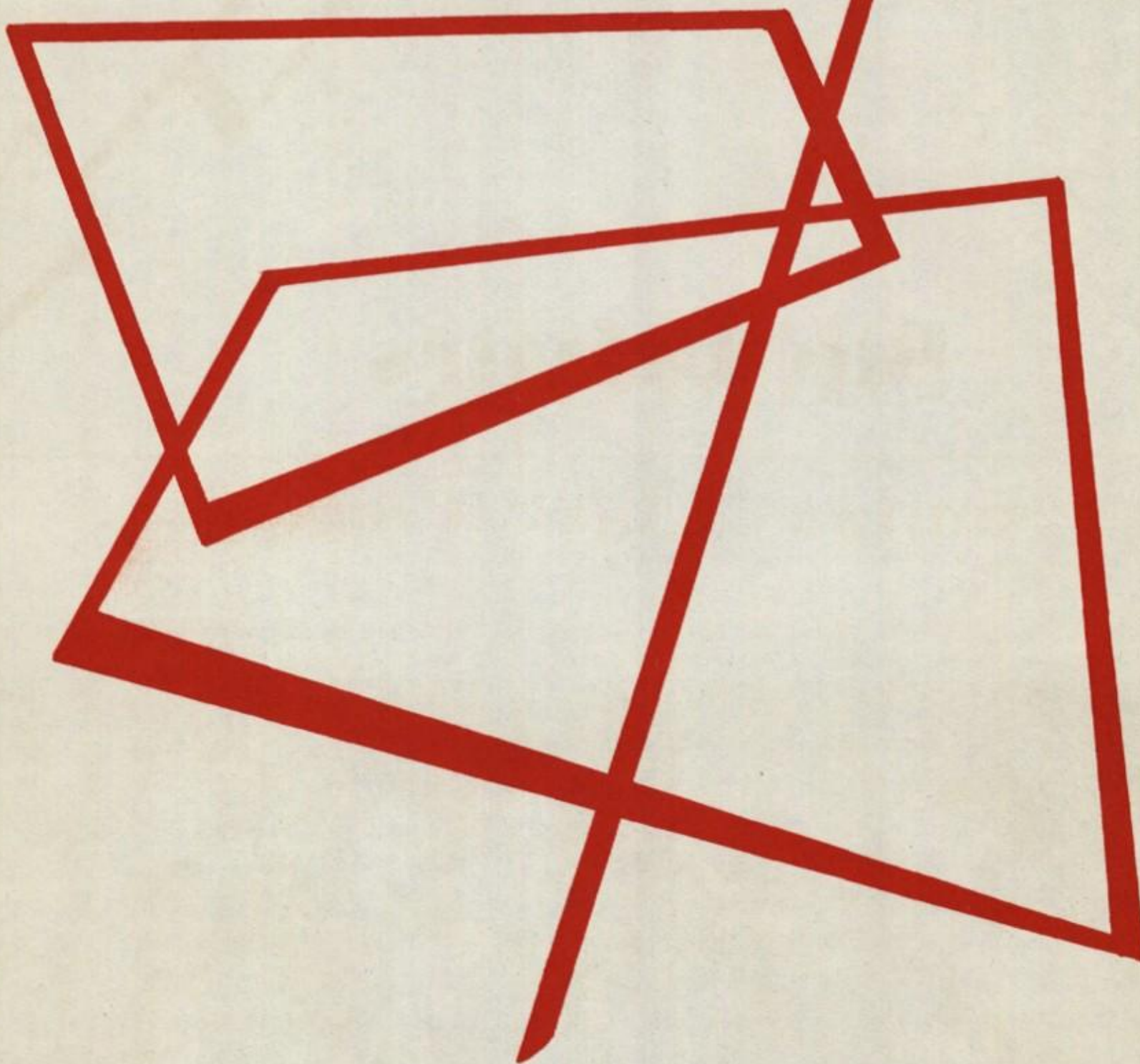


Bus Drivers

Our twenty-two buses and all the drivers are always ready and willing to carry us to and from school and to our many away activities. Mr. Bekken, who is in charge, is always there to see that they are on schedule and in good repair.

Front row (left to right): Mrs. Ashby, Mrs. Karman, Mrs. Burch, Mrs. Curtiss, Mrs. DeLoble, Miss Coughill.
Back row: Mrs. VanDyken, Mr. Bekken, Mrs. Schuring, Mrs. Northrup, Mrs. Coder, Mrs. Barlow, Mr. Timmer.

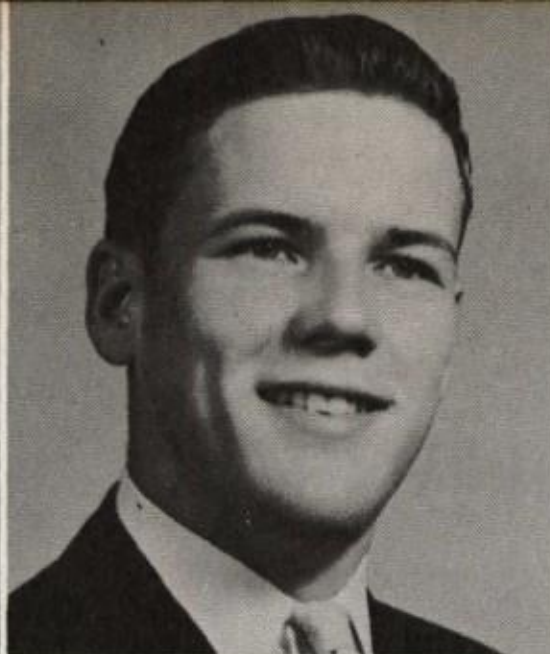




CLASSES



HOWARD WILCOX "Easy to know"—Student Council 1, Class Vice-president 3, Class President 4, Class Council 3,4, Senior Play, Chorus 3,4, Junior-Senior Banquet Chairman, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Track 3,4, Varsity Basketball 3,4, Reserve Basketball 2, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Club 4, Homecoming King 4, Audio-visual 3.



JON CRAIN "Mid-summer's Night Dream" — Class Vice-president 4, Junior Play, Senior Play, Senior Band 1,2, Stage Crew 3,4, Christmas Pageant 3,4, Varsity Football 2,3, Reserve Football 1, Reserve Basketball 1,2, Intramural Basketball 3,4, Varsity Club 3.



JOAN KING "Sweet as sas-sasfras"—Class Treasurer 4, Bugle Staff 1,2,3,4, Assistant Editor 4, Junior Play Programs, Senior Play Usher and Programs, Chorus 1,2, Variety Show 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Decorations, G.A.A. 3,4, Secretary 3, President 4, Play Day 1.



DELORES SLATER "Cuter than a kitten"—(Transfer from Vicksburg) Pep Committee 2, Class Secretary 4, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Make-up and Programs, Chorus 1,2,3,4, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, G.A.A. 3,4, Intramural Basketball 2, Senior Representative, Librarian 4, Spanish Club 1, Girls Ensemble 4, Mixed Ensemble 4, Triple Trio 1.

SENIORS

Senior Class Council

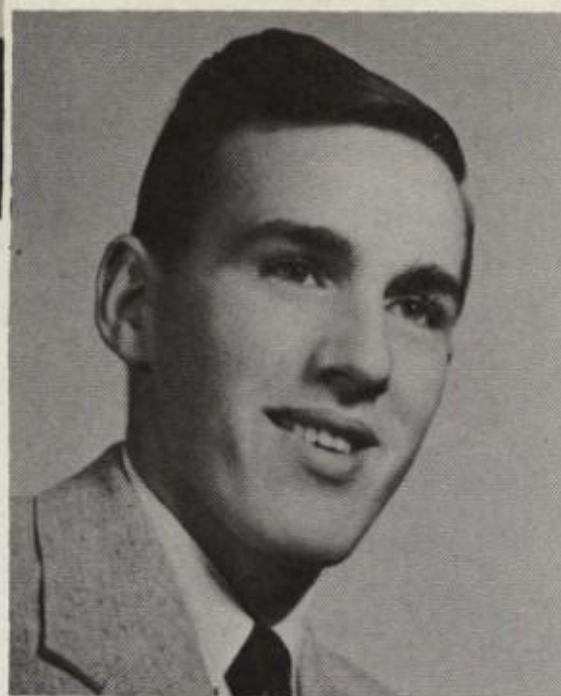
Front row (left to right): Judy Durham, treasurer Joan King, secretary Delores Slater, president Howard Wilcox, vice-president Jon Crain, Sylvia Vanden Bos. Back row: Jane Schuring, Mildred Champion, Roger Staffen, John Houts, Don Decker, Bill Longjohn, advisor Mr. Fries.





JAMES BARRETT "Who said hurry?"—Stage Crew 3, 4, Varsity Football 3, 4, Varsity Baseball 4, Golf 3, Intramural Basketball 4, Junior Play Tickets 3.

DALE BARRONS "Silence is golden"—.



ROBERT BEACH "Music on his mind" — Student Council Vice-President 4, Social Committee Chairman 4, National Honor Society 3, National Honor Society President 4, Class Vice-president 2, Class Council 3, Bugle Staff 2, Junior Play, Senior Play, Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Dance Band 2,3,4, Variety Show 3, Varsity Tennis 1,2,3.



JOHN BEHL "Hotdog!"— Motor Club 3,4, Varsity Track 3,4, Cross Country 3,4, Intramural Basketball 2,3, Varsity Club 3,4, Audio-visual 3.



Seniors

DEAN BEKKEN "Speakin' of brains"—Student Welfare Committee 4, National Honor Society 4, Bible Club 1, Junior Play, Senior Play, Senior Band 1, 2,3,4, Dance Band 1,2, 3,4, Variety Show 3, Reserve Football 1, Reserve Basketball 2, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Baseball 3, Reserve Baseball 2, Golf 2, Interlochen Scholarship 2.

WANDA BLAND "Sugar and spice"—Class Officer 3, Junior - Senior Banquet Committee.

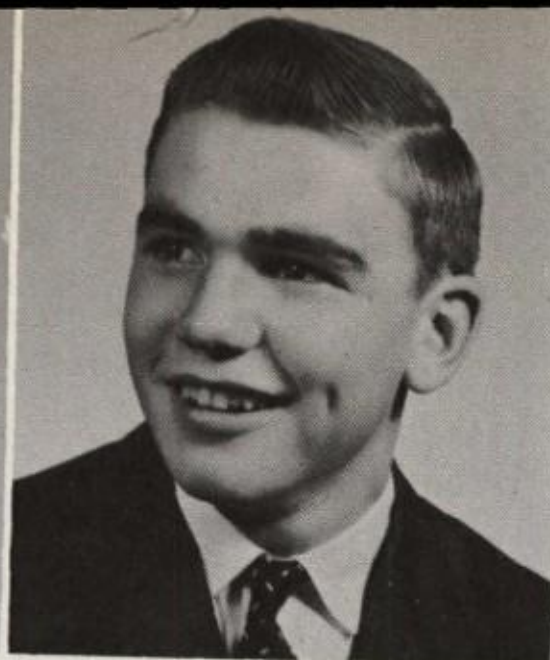
JOYCE BONNEMA "Gal with a smile"—Red Cross 1, Bible Club 2,3, Chorus 1,2,3,4, Librarian 1, Mixed Ensemble 4, Girls Ensemble 3,4.

SANDRA BRED AHL "Jive King"—Future Nurses 4, Senior Play, Chorus 2,3 4, Variety Show 3, G.A.A. 3, Health Room 1, Mixed Ensemble 4, Girls Ensemble 3,4, Ensemble President 3, Debate 4.

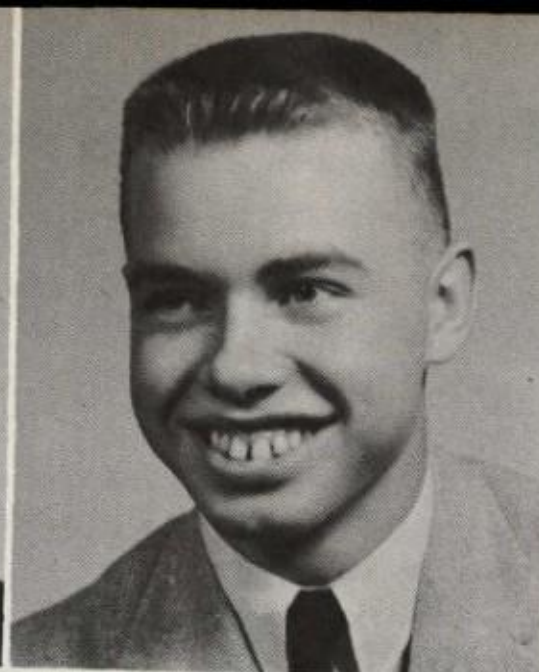




DANIEL BROOKS "Live, laugh, and love"—Varsity Track 1, Varsity Basketball 1, Intramural Basketball 2.



THOMAS BROUWER "Dimples"—Chorus 1,2, Stage Crew 2,3, Christmas Pageant 3, Variety Show 3, Varsity Football 4, Reserve Football 3, Reserve Basketball 2, Varsity Baseball 3, 4, Reserve Baseball 2,3, Intramural Basketball 3.



DANIEL BURCH "Give me the simple life"—National Honor Society 3,4, Varsity Show 3, Varsity Basketball Manager 2, Reserve Basketball Manager 1,2, Freshman Basketball Manager, Varsity Baseball Manager 1,2.



GAIL BURLINGAME "Blow, Gabriel, Blow"—Future Teachers 3,4, Junior Play, Chorus 1,3 4, Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Vice-president 4, Dance Band 3,4, Orchestra 4, Mixed Ensemble 4, All-Star Band 3, Variety Show 3, Varsity Tennis 3,4, G.A.A. 3,4, Audio-visual 4, Eligible for National Merit Scholarship 4, Interlochen Music Camp 3.

Seniors



MILDRED CHAMPION "Beautiful dreamer"—Class Council 4, Bugle Staff 2, Chorus 3,4, Christmas Pageant 3, Speech Contest 1.



FERN CHAMPLIN "Need any help?"—Bible Club 3, Chorus 1,2,3,4, Variety Show 3, Librarian 1,2, 3,4, Mixed Ensemble 4, Girls Ensemble 3,4.



LEE CODER "I've got a million of 'em"—Senior Play.

ROBERT CONVERSE "Young man with a horn"—Senior Play, Chorus 4, Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Dance Band 1,2,3,4, Variety Show 3, Reserve Football 3, Varsity Tennis 2,3,4, Scholarship to Interlochen 2.





LINDA LOU COOK "One by one"—Bugle Staff 1,2,3, 4, Editor 4, Senior Play Usher, Chorus 3, Variety Show 3.

JUDITH DAVIS "How exciting!" — Chorus 2,3, Junior and Senior Play Make-up.



MILLICENT DEAN "Farm-erette" — Social Committee 3, Class Council 2, Roundup Staff 3,4, Junior Play Tickets, Senior Play, Reserve Cheerleader 2, Chorus 1, Christmas Pageant 2, Health Room 1, Play Day 1, Intramural Basketball 1,2.

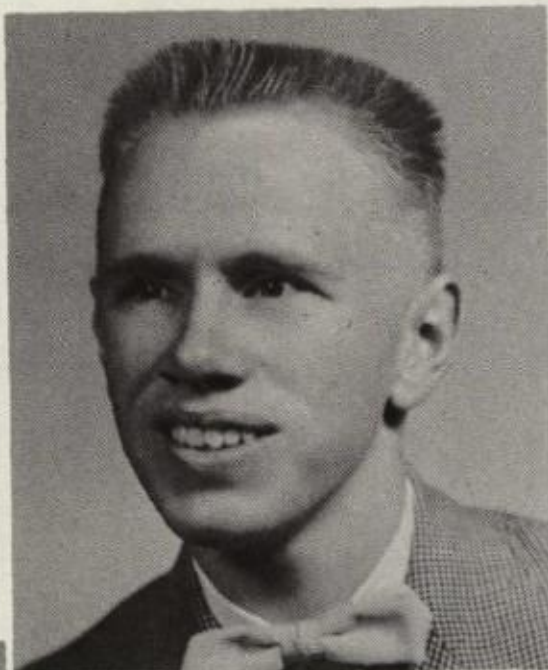


KENNETH DE BOER "Sportsman deluxe" — Student Council 4, Pep Committee 3,4, Roundup Staff Photographer 2,3,4, Bugle Staff Advertising Manager 1,2, Christmas Pageant 2, 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Decorations, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Basketball 2,3, Varsity Tennis 1, Reserve Baseball 2, Varsity Club 3,4, Forensics 3.

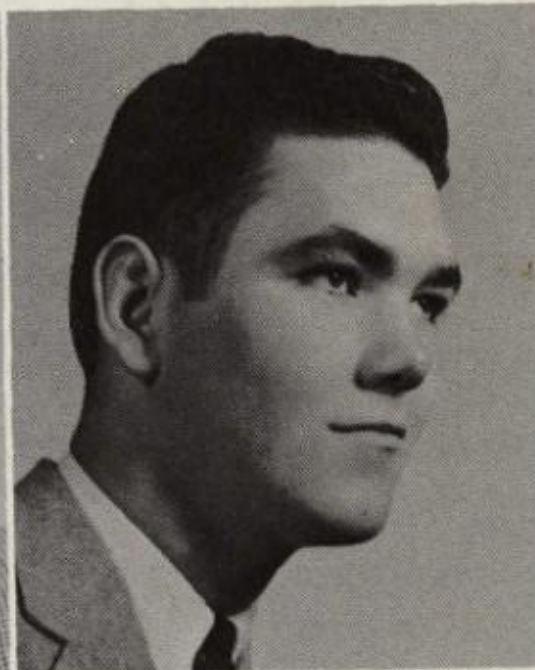


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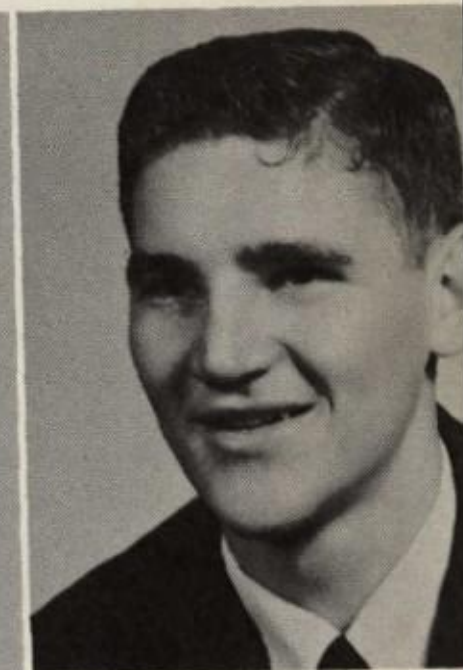
DONALD DECKER "Mighty Man"—Class Council 4, Variety Show 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Basketball 3,4, Reserve Basketball 1,2, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Baseball 3,4, Reserve Baseball 1,2, Varsity Club 3,4.



JACOB DEKKINGA "Serious business" — Freshman Basketball, Reserve Baseball 1.



JAMES DENNISTON "Happy medium"—.



HOWARD DES VOIGNES "I'll understand" — Motor Club 4, Cross Country 4, Varsity Baseball 3,4, Reserve Baseball 2, Intramural Basketball 1,2, 3,4, Wrestling 3,4.



DALE DRATT "Stars in his eyes" — Student Council 2, Class Council 2, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 2, Reserve Baseball 2, Golf 2, Intramural Basketball 3, Wrestling 3.

MARY DULL "Away with men!"—Junior and Senior Play Tickets, Chorus 1,2,4, Christmas Pageant 3.

MARJORIE DULL "Sly humor"—Junior and Senior Play Make-up, Chorus 1, 2, Stage Crew 3, Play Day 1.



DAVID DURHAM "Ah, Women!"—Varsity Football 2,3,4, Reserve Football 1, Varsity Track 2,3, Varsity Basketball 3,4, Reserve Basketball 1,2, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Club 2,3,4.



Seniors



MARY ANN FARMER "Domestic doll" — Class Council 2, Junior Play, Senior Play, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Intramural Basketball 1, G. A. A. 3,4, Play Day 1,2, Debate 4.

JUDITH DURHAM "Eyes for one" — Student Welfare Committee 4, Class Council 2,3,4, Tri-Hi-Y 1,2, Junior Play Costumes, Christmas Pageant 2, Junior-Senior Banquet Decorations, Varsity Basketball 1,2, G.A.A. 3, Homecoming Queen's Court 4, Health Room 1.

MARIAN ESHLAMAM "Personality plus" — Student Council 1, Social Committee 2, Class President 1, Class Secretary 3, Round-up Staff 3,4, Editor 4, Junior Play Publicity, Senior Play, Chorus 1,2, Stage Crew 2,3, Christmas Pageant 2,3,4, Junior-Senior Banquet Food Chairman, Varsity Tennis 1,2,3,4, Intramural Basketball 1, G.A.A. 3, Treasurer 3, Play Day 1.

KENNETH EVENSEN "Happy-go-lucky" — Chorus 1,2.





WILLIAM FLETCHER "Play-ball!" — Student Council 3, Variety Show 3, Varsity Football 4, Varsity Basketball 3,4, Reserve Basketball 2, Varsity Baseball 2,3, Varsity Club 3,4, Secretary 4.



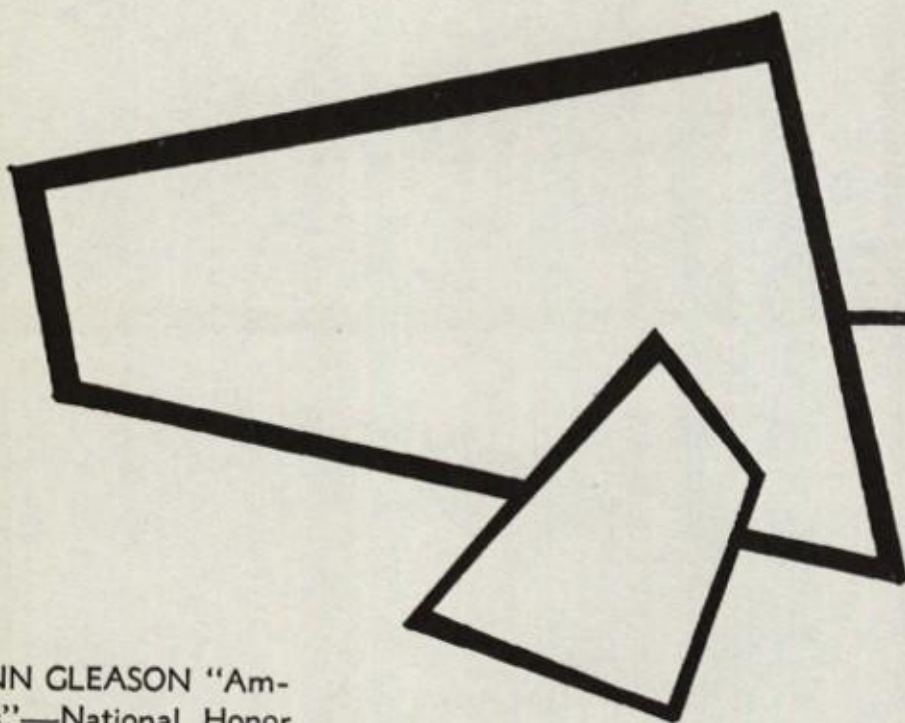
DALE FORD "Goldilocks"—



BARBARA FULLER "Cheerful little earful"—Junior Play Prompter and Make-up, Senior Play, Chorus 1, 2, Play Day 1.



DALE GIPSON "Joyful joker" — Bugle Staff 2,3, Treasurer 3, Motor Club 2,3,4, Treasurer 3, Varsity Football 3, Reserve Football 1, Varsity Track 1.



Seniors

GAIL ANN GLEASON "Ambitious"—National Honor Society 3,4, Treasurer 4, Projects Committee 4, Induction Committee 4, Class Council 2, Junior Play, Senior Play Make-up, Chorus, 3, Variety Show 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, G.A.A. 3, Trip Club, 3,4.

TOM GOODMAN "Give me liberty or give me death"—Stage Crew 2,3,4, Head Carpenter 3,4.

JUDY HAMILTON "Interesting subject" — Class Council 2, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play, Chorus 4, Christmas Pageant 2,3, Variety Show 3, Intramural Basketball 1, G. A.A. 3,4, Trip Club 3,4, Latin Club 4.

LARRY HAMLIN "Anyone for motorcycling?"—Safety Council 3, Motor Club 2,3,4, Secretary 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Reserve Football 1,2,3, Reserve Baseball 2, Second Place Teen-age Driving Rodeo 3.





ELAINE HAMMER "Pert and peppy"—Chorus 1,3, Variety Show 2, Volleyball 2, G.A.A. 3.



DONALD HIEMSTRA "Just me and my car"—Class Council 3, Motor Club 2, 3,4, Chorus 1,2, Intramural Basketball 2,3,4, Audio-visual 3, Second Place Teen-age Driving Rodeo 3.



ROSALIE HILLS "Who said bashful?"—Student Council 2, National Honor Society 3,4, Vice-president 4, Book Store Manager 4, Project Committee 3,4, Induction Committee 4, Junior Play Properties, Senior Play Properties, Attendance Award 3, Trip Club 3,4, Latin Club 4, President 4.



DORIS HOEKSEMA "Sh—I'm blushing"—Student Council 4, Student Welfare Committee 3, Class Treasurer 3, Class Council 3, Bugle Staff 2, Senior Play Publicity, Junior-Senior Banquet Program Chairman, Health Room 2, Play Day 1.

Seniors

RONALD HORD "Enjoy yourself" — Motor Club 2,3,4, Chorus 3,4, Senior Band 3,4.

MARIE HOSKINS "Hidden charms" — Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Usher, Chorus 1, Trip Club 3,4.

JOHN HOUTS "Speedy and rash" — Student Council 1, Social Committee 4, Class Council 4, Trip Club President 3,4, Senior Play, Christmas Pageant, Christmas Formal Decorations 4, Variety Show 3, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Tennis 2,3,4, Varsity Club 3,4, Forensic Speech Contest 3.

MADELINE HURD "Considerately concerned"—National Merit Scholarship 4.





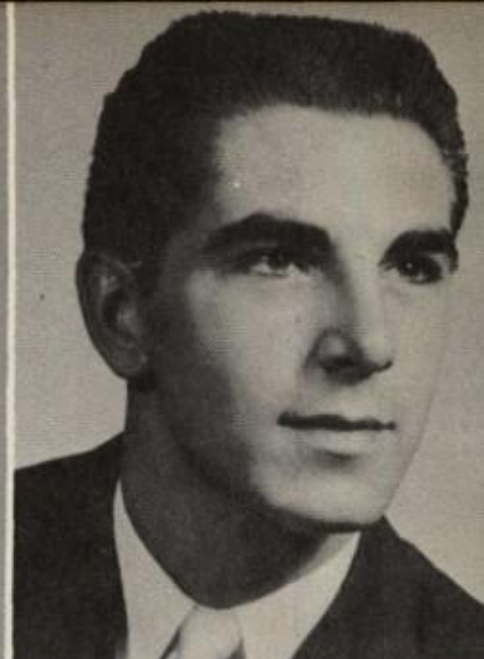
ROBERT KELLEY "Exquis-
itely quiet"—



NANCY KIEL "She Walks
in Beauty" — National
Honor Society 4, Secre-
tary 4, Bugle Staff 2, Bi-
ble Club 1,2,3, President
3, Chorus 1,2, Varsity
Club Queen 2.



BEVERLY KLIMP "Melody
maid" — National Honor
Society 4, Project Com-
mittee 4, Future Nurses
2, Correspondence Secre-
tary 2, Junior Play, Senior
Play, Chorus 1,2,3,4,
Mixed Ensemble 4, Girls
Ensemble 1,2,3,4, Variety
Show 3, Junior-Senior
Banquet Decorations, Vol-
leyball 1, G.A.A. 4, For-
ensics 1, Trip Club 3,4.



JAMES KLINE "Hot-rod"—
Class President 3, Motor
Club 2,3,4, President 4,
Junior Play, Junior-Senior
Banquet M.C., Wrestling
4.



LANCE KORZILIUS "I'm
looking" — Reserve Bas-
ketball 1, Freshman Bas-
ketball.



TONY KOVACH "Little but
not least" — Stage Crew
2,3,4, Intramural Basket-
ball 1.

Seniors



ANNETTA KUIPER "Re-
freshing view" — Junior
Play Tickets, Senior Play
Tickets, Volleyball 1.



LEO LEAS "Serve it,
Champ!" — Stage Crew
2,4.



WILLIAM LONGJOHN "Ribbing and ready" — Class Council 4, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play, Reserve Football 3, Varsity Tennis 3,4, Intramural Basketball 3, Third Place Teen-age Driving Rodeo 3.

LAURA MACK "Working women" — Tri-Hi-Y 2, Bible Club 3, Junior Play Tickets, Chorus 1,2,3.

BEVERLY MARTIN "Bells on her toes" — Class Council 2.

LANDIS MCFINTON "Quisical kid" — Student Council 2, Pep Committee 3, Class President 2, Trip Club Vice-president 3,4, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Varsity Football 2,3,4, Reserve Football 1, Varsity Track 1,2,3, Reserve Basketball 1,2, Varsity Club 2,3,4, Wrestling 3.

Seniors

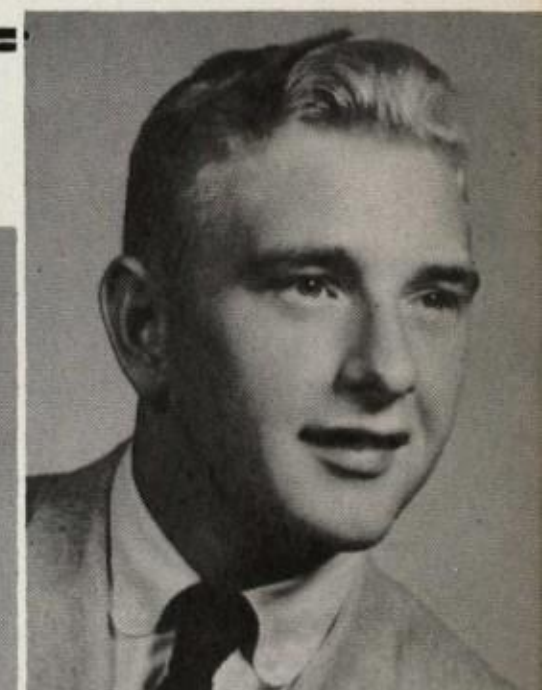
NANCY MEIN "Come on, team!" — Class Council 3, Bugle Staff 1,2,3,4, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Usher, Reserve Cheerleader 1, Varsity Cheerleader 2,3,4, Variety Show 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Waitress Chairman, Varsity Tennis 3, G.A.A. 3,4.



MARTHA MERICA "Peachy creamy" — Chorus 1,2,3,4, President 4, Variety Show 3, Scholarship to Interlochen Camp 3.



MARILYNN MILLER "Flying fingers" — Student Council 1,4, Secretary 4, National Honor Society 3,4, Class Secretary 1, Trip Club Treasurer 3,4, Bugle Staff 2,3,4, News Editor 4, Tri-Hi-Y 2, Bible Club 3, Vice-president 3, Junior Play, Senior Play Understudy, Varsity Cheerleader 3, Chorus 4, Variety Show 2,3, G.A.A. 3, President 3, Forensics 1, Third Place Youth Center Essay Contest 3.



EUGENE MORRISON "Blowing his top" — Junior Play Usher, Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Dance Band 2, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Baseball 3,4, Reserve Baseball 1,2, Intramural Basketball 4, Varsity Club 4.





ROBERT OORBECK "Silent Sam" — Reserve Football 1, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Baseball 3,4, Reserve Baseball 1,2, Intramural Basketball 3,4.

STANLEY NEDERHOED "Jerk (soda)" — Bugle 1,2, Business Manager 2, Bible Club 1,2, Cross Country 1, Freshman Basketball, Intramural Basketball 2,3,4, Health Room 3.



CAROL OSWALT "Sweet and serious" — Future Nurses 1, Chorus 1,2,3,4.



MARILYN PAUL "Let's have fun" — Chorus 3,4, Librarian 1,2,3.

Seniors

JOAN PORTER "Nice and spicy" — Future Nurses 1,2, Junior Play Make-up, G.A.A. 4, Librarian 2,3.



DONNA PRENTISS "Life is exciting" — Junior Play Properties, Senior Play Properties, Chorus 1,3, G.A.A. 3,4, Health Room 1,2.

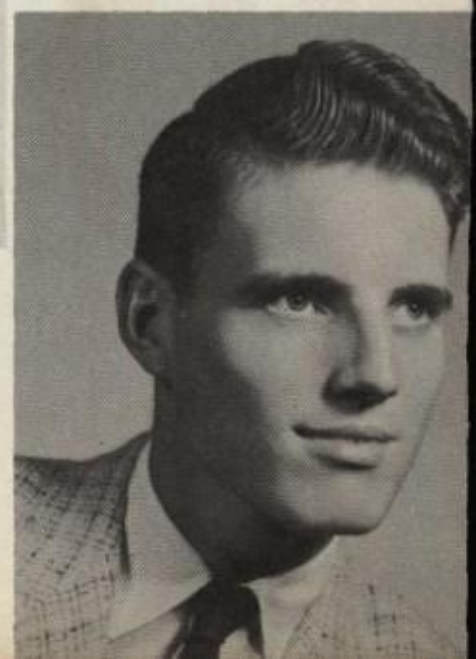


ANTOINETTE REVA "Little ones are mighty nice" — Red Cross 1, Future Nurses 1, Christmas Pageant 1, Chorus 1, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Volleyball 1, Health Room 1.

JOYCE PETERMAN "Blondie" — Bible Club 2,3, Junior Play Committee, Senior Play Committee, Chorus 1,2,3,4, Health Room 1.



ROBERT ROMENCE "True gentleman" — Class Council 1,2,3, Bible Club 1,2, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee.





NANCY RYDER "As kind as they come" — Bugle Staff 1,2, Junior Play Make-up, Senior Play Make-up, Chorus 2,3 G.A.A. 4, Homecoming Queen 3.



JOAN RUTHERFORD "On the 8 ball"—Chorus 3,4.



JANE SCHURING "Fun on the sidelines" — Student Council 1,2,3,4, Treasurer 4, National Honor Society 4, Class Treasurer 2, Class Council 2,4, Round-up staff 2,3,4, Tri-Hi-Y 2, Treasurer 2, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Usher, Reserve Cheerleader 2, Varsity Cheerleader 3,4, Junior-Senior Banquet Decorations, Volleyball 1, G.A.A. 4, Girl's State 4, Play Day 1.

SANDRA SAUDEK "Dramatizing Doll" — Intra-school Council 3,4, Vice-president 4, Safety Council Representative to Lansing 3, Tri-Hi-Y 2, Junior Play, Senior Play, Reserve Cheerleader 1, Chorus 1, 2,3, Variety Show 3, Health Room 1, Forensics 1,2,3,4, Local Winner 2, Local and District Winner 3, Tenn-age Reporter for Gazette 3,4.



JOHN SCHNEIDER "Going places"—National Honor Society 4, Class Council 2, 3, Junior Play, Senior Play, Reserve Football 1, Varsity Basketball 3, 4, Reserve Basketball 2, Freshman Basketball 1, Reserve Baseball 2.

Seniors

RUCE SHAY "Crazy Man, crazy!"—Varsity Football 2,4, Intramural Basketball 1.



DAVID SHERMAN "Drum, drummer, drum"—Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Dance Band 1,2,3,4, Stage Crew 2,3, Christmas Pageant 2,3,4, Variety Show 2,3.



ROBERT SINKE "Smiling eyes" — Motor Club 3, Stage Crew 3,4.

FRANNY LOU SISCHO "Dance, Ballerina, Dance"—Chorus 1,2,3,4, Forensics 2.





MARCIA SKELTON "Mighty mouse"—Pep Committee 2, Tri-Hi-Y 1,2, Junior Play, Senior Play, Reserve Cheerleader 1, Varsity Cheerleader 2,3,4, Chorus 1, Christmas Pageant 3, Variety Show 2, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Intramural Basketball 1,2, G.A.A. 3, Vice-president 3, Health Room 1, Play Day 1.



DOUGLAS SMITH "Bashful bait?" — Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4.



ALICE SOSINSKI "Pretty as a picture" — Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Make-up, Chorus 2,3,4, Forensics 3, Mixed Ensemble 4, Girls Ensemble 4.



ROGER STAFFEN "Beau bait" — Class Council 4, Junior Play, Senior Play, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Track 2, Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4, Reserve Baseball 1, Health Room 1, Audio-visual 3.

GLORY STANTON "Brave as they come"—Student Council 2, Junior Play Make-up, Chorus 1,2,3, Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Orchestra 1, Dance Band 2,3,4, Intramural Basketball 1, Volleyball 1, G.A.A. 2,4, Debate 4.



Seniors



ELAINE STIMSON, "Nice as they come" — Junior Play Publicity Committee, Reserve Cheerleader 2, Chorus 2, Variety Show 2,3.



RONALD STOCKWELL "Likeable chap"—Senior Band 1,2,3,4, Reserve Football 1,2, Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Baseball 1,2, Intramural Basketball 1,2, Wrestling 3,4.



ELAINE TACKETT "Packed with pep" — Student Council 2, Inter-school Council 4, Senior Play, Junior-Senior Banquet Invitations, Varsity Basketball 1,2, Varsity Tennis 1,2,3,4, G.A.A. 3,4, Play Day 1.



HERBERT TARNOW "Smiley"—Stage Crew 2,3,4.



GRACE TAYLOR "Happiness ahead" — National Honor Society 3,4, Treasurer 3, Round-up Staff Art Editor 2, Junior Play Tickets, Chorus 1,2,3, Attendance Award 2, Girls Ensemble 3,4, Mixed Ensemble 3.



LORETTA BOERS TOMPKINS "Mis-taken"—Student Council 3, National Honor Society 3, 4, Class Council 2, Bugle Staff 2, Chorus 4, Variety Show 2, Junior-Senior Banquet Committee, Varsity Basketball 1, 2.



MAX TOMPKINS "Laugh and the world laughs with you"



JAMES TOZER "Mighty Mike" — Junior Play Sound Effects, Senior Play Sound Effects, Variety Show 2,3, Varsity Football Manager 1,2,3, Varsity Tennis Manager 1, Audio-visual 3,4, Noon Hour Disc Jockey 2,3,4.

Seniors



PHYLLIS TRUETT "Marriage for me" — Junior Play Properties, Senior Play Make-up, Chorus 1, 2,3, Librarian 1.



KAY TURNER "Earthborn Angel" — Student Council 4, Class Council 2,3, Pep Committee Chairman 4, Trip Club Secretary 3, 4, Inter-school Council 3, Safety Council 4, Round-up Staff 2,3,4, Tri-Hi-Y 2, Junior Play Usher, Senior Play Usher, Reserve Cheerleader 2, Variety Show 3, G.A.A. 3, Junior-Senior Banquet Decorations, Play Day 1.



TRENA VANDE BOR "Penney for your thoughts" —Senior Play Make-up, Health Room 3.



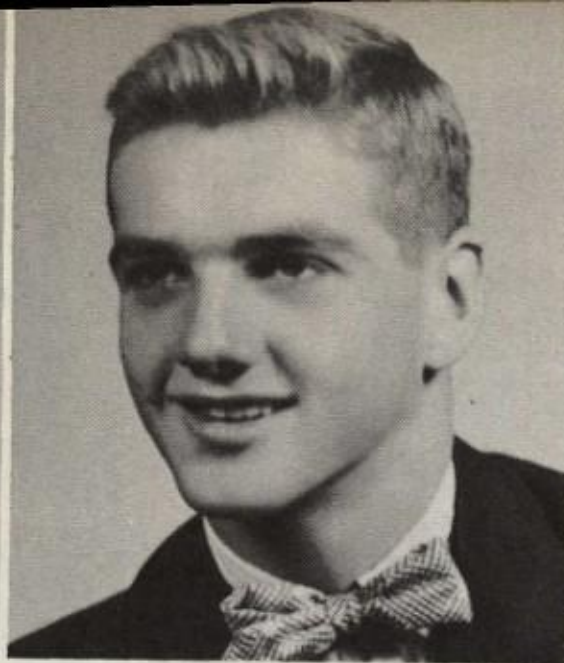
PAULINE VANDER BOR "Sweet and shy" — Tri-Hi-Y 1, Junior Play Make-up, Senior Play Make-up, Play Day 1.



SYLVIA VANDENBOS "All the world is a stage"—National Honor Society 4, Class Council 4, Bugle Staff 2,3,4, Junior Play, Senior Play, Christmas Pageant 1, Variety Show 2,3, Health Room 2, Varsity Basketball 1,2, G.A. A. 3.



EILEEN VISKER "Sparkling and bright"—Senior Play Publicity, Chorus 1,2,3, Junior-Senior Banquet Programs.



TOM WALKER "Steady" — Motor Club 2,3,4, Secretary and Vice-president, Audio-visual 1.



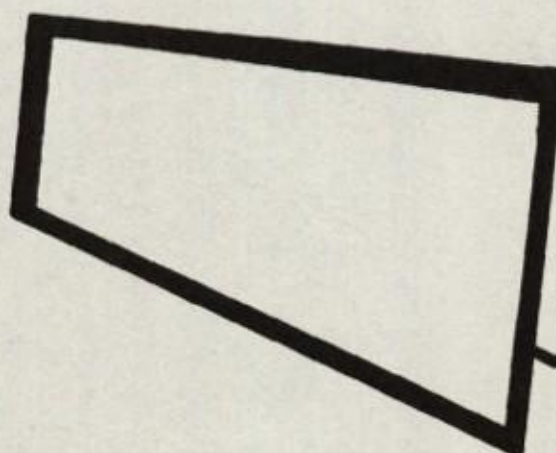
CAROL WALL "Sincerity" — Bugle Staff Exchange Editor 2, Bible Club 1,3, Chorus 2, Junior-Senior Banquet Invitations.



LEE WENKE "Orator"—Student Council 3,4, President 4, National Honor Society 4, Class Secretary 2, Class Council 2, Motor Club 2, Variety Show M.C. 3, Forensics 3, Trip Club Buyer, P.T.A. Panel, Boy's State.



KENNETH WAY "Tactful technician" — Varsity Track 3,4, Varsity Football Manager 2,3.



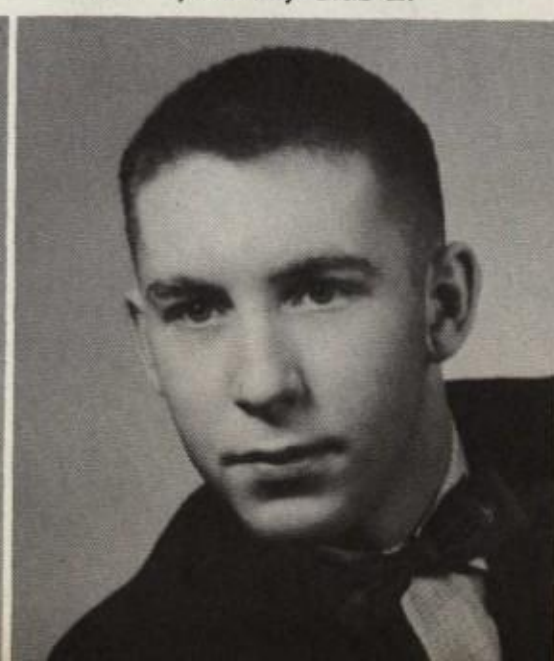
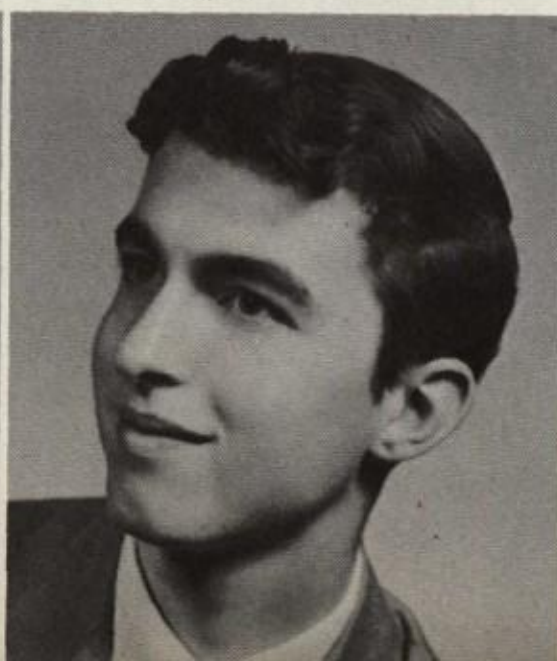
Seniors

LEONARD WILCOX "Devil in disguise" — Varsity Football 3,4, Reserve Football 2, Varsity Track 3,4, Varsity Club 3,4, Wrestling 3,4.

WILLIAM WITTERS "Pass the peace - pipe" — Pep Committee 4, Senior Play Usher, Varsity Track 4, Cross Country 4, Audio-visual 3,4.

EDWIN WOOD "Would if he could" — Student Council 1, Class Council 1, Bugle Staff 2, Variety Show 2, Varsity Football 1, Reserve Football 1, Varsity Basketball 2, Reserve Basketball 1, Freshman Basketball, Varsity Tennis 4, Reserve Baseball 1, Varsity Club 2.

SHARON WOODEN "Cute and comical" — Future Teachers 2,3,4, Chorus 1,2,4, Intramural Basketball 1,2, Volleyball 1, G.A.A. 3, Forensics 1.



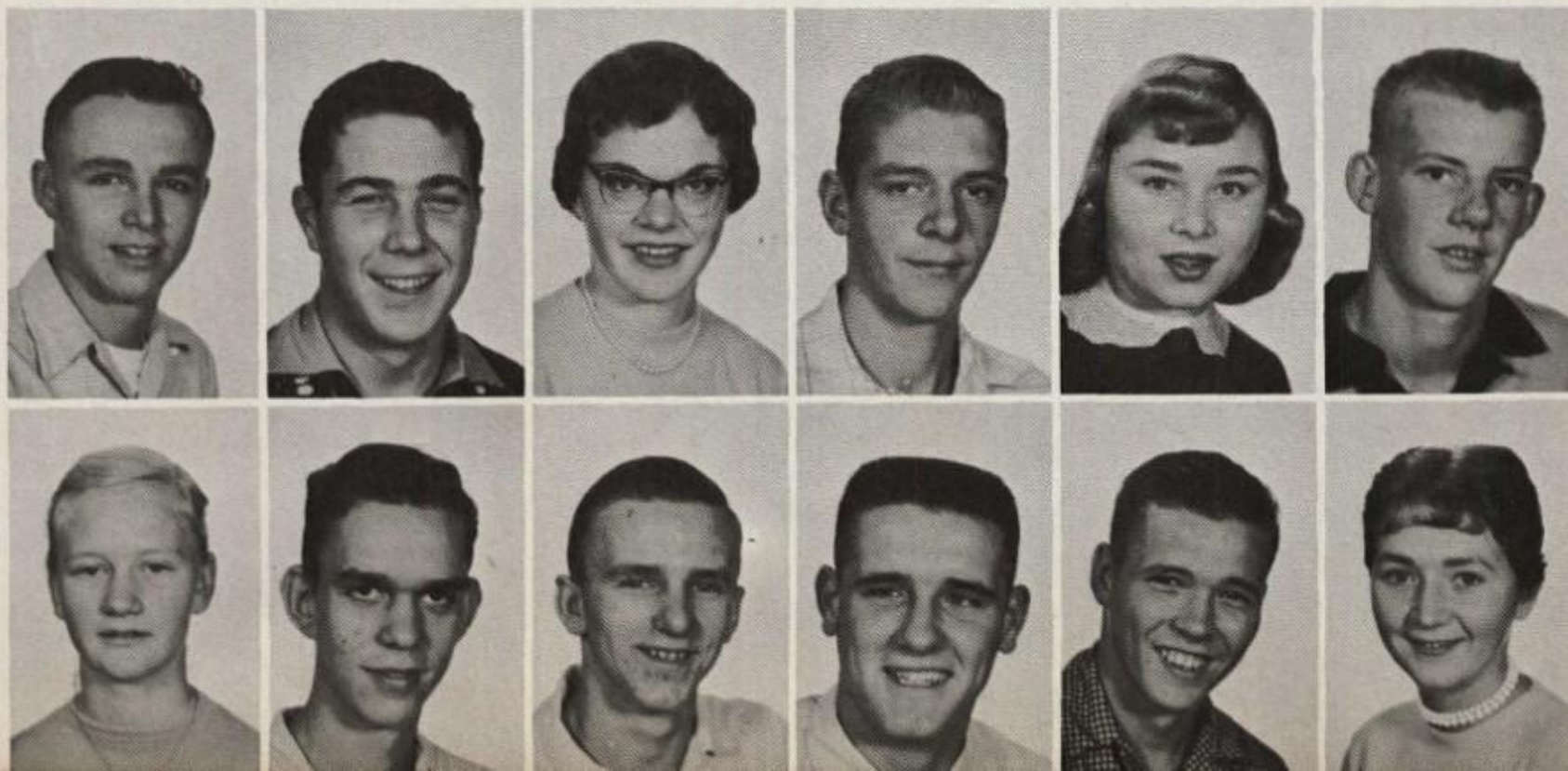


Front row (left to right): June Kriebel, secretary Judy Johnson, vice-president Ron Burke, president Roger Kramer, treasurer Dick Streeter, Sue Fenker. Back row: Bob Hiemstra, Betty Mulder, Gary Curtiss, advisor Mr. Candoli.

Junior Class Council

JUNIORS

Below, top row (left to right): Charles Arnold, Ronald Barnard, Sue Beach, Jack Blaauw, Jo Ann Boers, Ed Bogema. Bottom row: Jane Boogholt, Roger Borden, John Bosma, Mike Bosma, Carl Bradfield, Billie Buck.



Juniors



Left: Ronald Burke
Sandra Burlingame

Right: Joyce Christensen
Bob Conway
Judy Cook



Left: Mary Beth Cook
Toby Cook

Right: Dave Cornell
Bill Crill
Fred Curtis



Left: Gary Curtiss
Janet Danielson

Right: Ed Davis
Emily Dee
Joe Eckley



Left: Meredith Falk
Susan Fenker

Right: Dennis Fitzgerald
Phyllis Fletcher
Donna Foltz

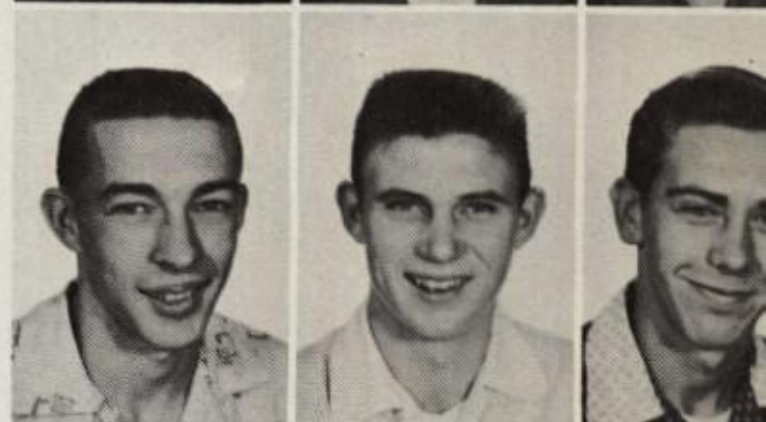


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Gordon Fries

Right: Dorothy Gary
Herb Gay
Juliana Geraci



Left: Evon Gerlofs
Barbara Gleason

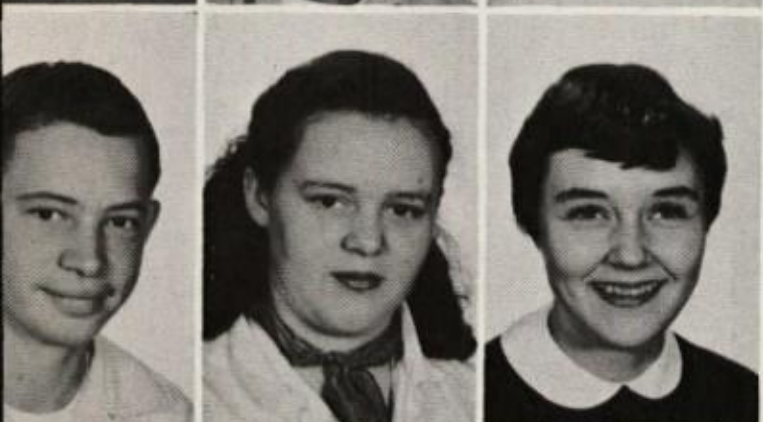




Left: Gary Glowe
Carol Goretzka
Les Green



Right: David Hamilton
Ronald Harding



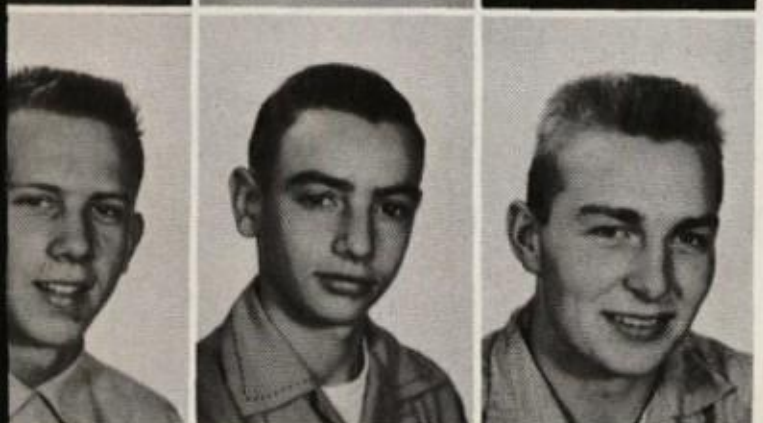
Left: Joyce Harrison
Tony Haye
Arnola Herder

Right: Bob Hiemstra
Frank Hirdning



Left: Jim Holton
Anna Hoogakker
Judy Johnson

Right: Bill Kaminga
Nancy Karn



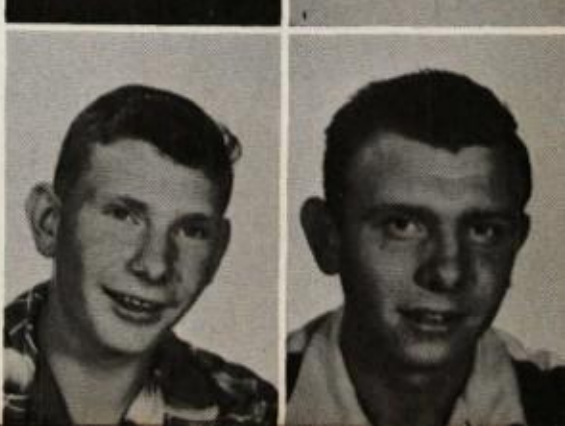
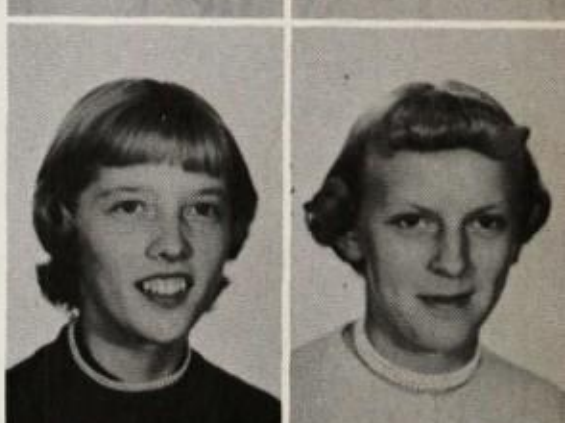
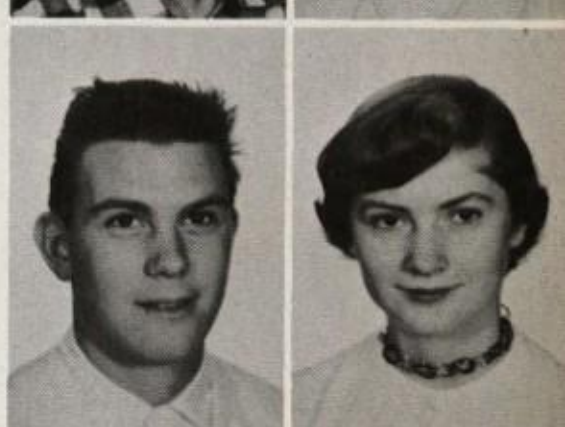
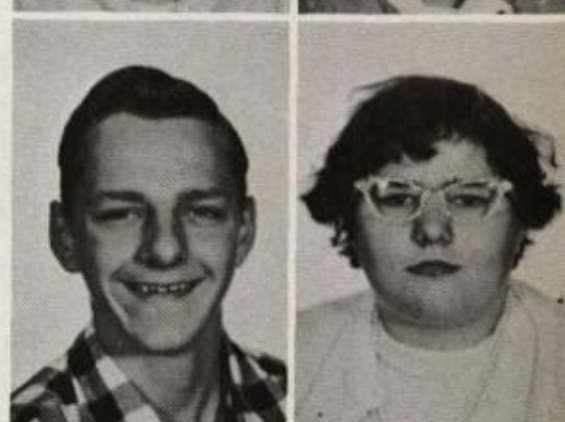
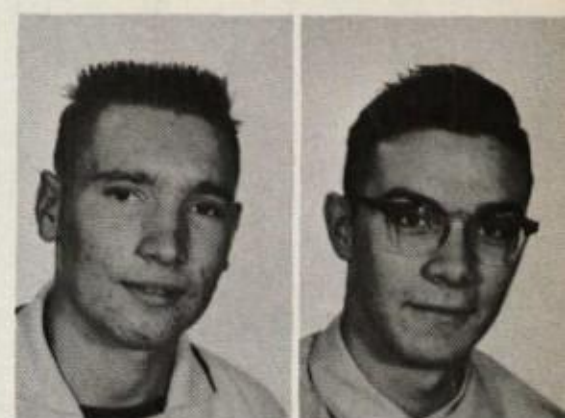
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Jo Ann Kelley
Delores King

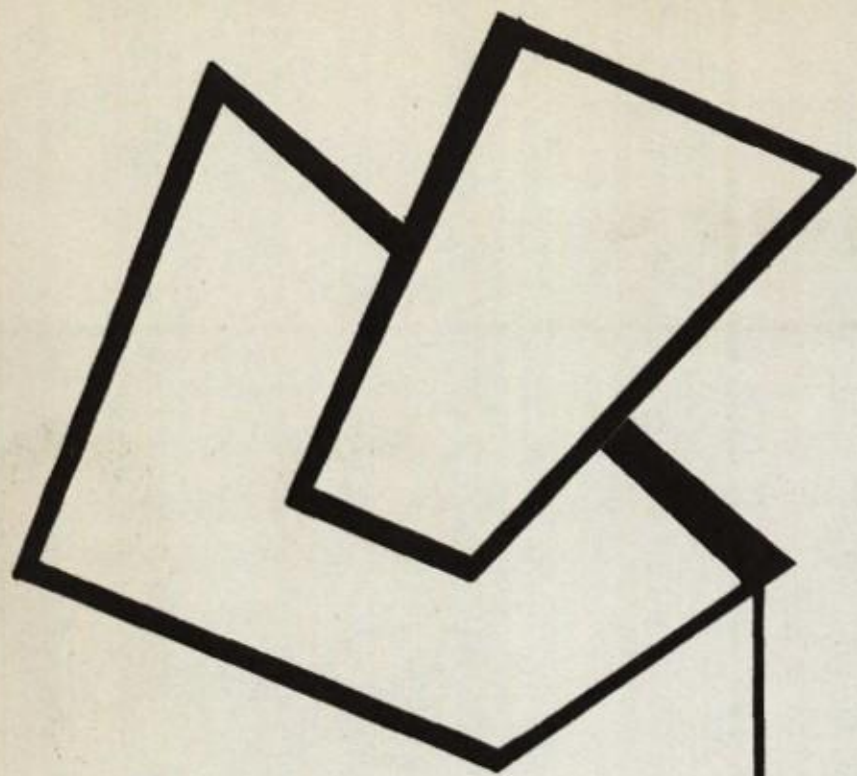
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Jill Kintner

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John Koning
Roger Kramer

Right: June Kriebel
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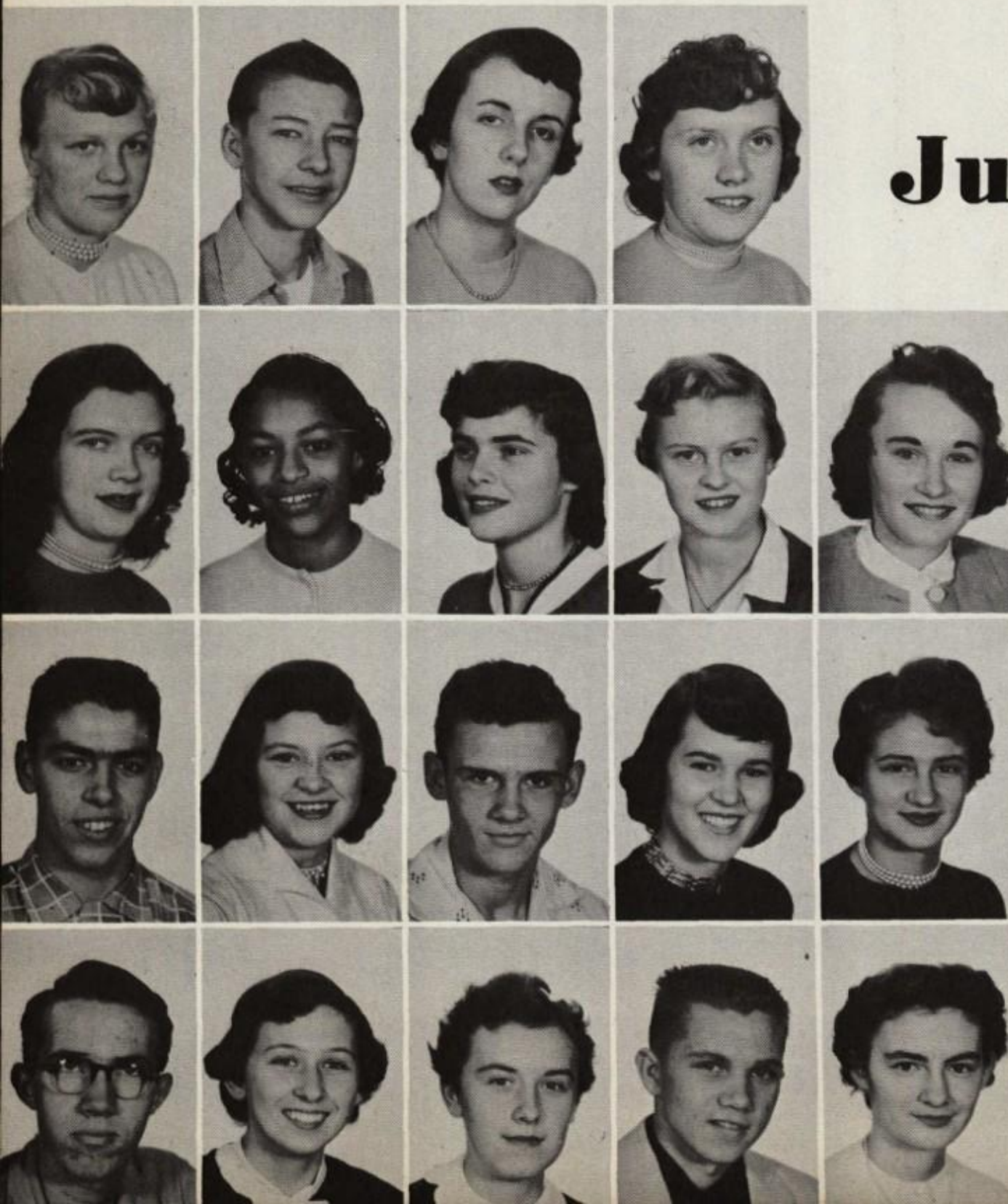
Right: Bob Lamb
Dave Lamphere





Above, top row (left to right): Max Lane, Rand Lauritzen, Judy Logan, Mike Lyons.
Bottom row: Ken Mack, Ken MacRitchie, Judy Marciniak, Allan Marcy.

Below, top row (left to right): Judy Marks, Pete Maury, Karen McMorrow, Carol Miles.
Second row down: Norma Minor, Joyce Mitchell, Donna Moe, Julie Morgan, Betty Mulder.
Third row down: Keith Newberry, Rose Norwood, Leroy Nowakowski, Judy Plantefaber, Georgiana Ponicki.
Bottom row: Jim Provost, Pat Ramer, Vonda Ramer, Ronald Roman, Louise Russell.



Juniors



Above, top row (left to right): Barbara Schram, Edgar Slate, Norm Slate, Allen Smith. Bottom row: Bob Smith, Galen Smith, Linda Smith, Bob Stockwell.

Below, top row (left to right): Dick Streeter, Jackie Swinehart, Bill Taylor, Cynthia Vander Salm. Second row down: Andy Van Goeye, Carolyn Vos, Kay Vos, Carol Vosburgh, George Wedel. Third row down: Deanne Westra, Ronald Weyenberg, Sonny Whisler, Ramon Wiessner, Ronald Wiessner. Bottom row: Janet Youngs, Barbara Zanger, Joan Zegerius, Elva Zulpo, Bud Zylman.

Juniors





Front row (left to right): Suzanne MacArthur, treasurer Ellen Pound, president Jim Phillips, vice-president Richard Bartholomew, treasurer Pat Wdowicki, Gail Sischo. Back row: JoAnn Beck, Carol Flegal, Don Pillars, Ken Carpenter, Bruce MacDonald, Roy Stockwell, Advisor, Mr. Bailey.

Sophomore Class Council

SOPHOMORES

Below, top row (left to right): Sandra Abbott, Arlene Adams, Ronald Allers, Carol Arey, Shirley Baber, Jane Barnes. Bottom row: Dick Bartholomew, Joann Beck, Bonnie Bocher, Larry Bogema, Bob Bongers, David. Borden.

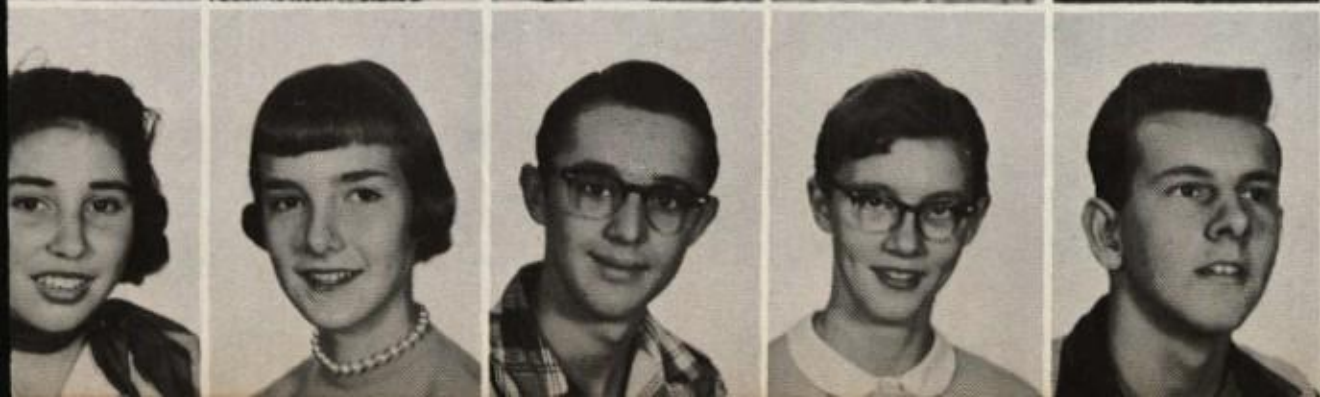




Above, top row (left to right): Mary Ann Bouma, Linda Bremer, Dick Briggs, Bob Brown. Bottom row: Doyle Bush, Fredda Bush, Dave Callighan, Terry Carlson.

Sophomores

Below, top row (left to right): Ken Carpenter, Lynn Clark, Jim Cline, Pat Cloney, Carol Close. Second row down: Jim Coder, Sandra Coder, Carol Colvin, Carol Crain, Janet Davis. Third row down: Pat Deyo, Letha Emmons, Jim Fitch, Doreen Fitzgerald, Marcia Fletcher. Bottom row: Angeline Frizzo, Anita Garcia, Don Garske, Phyllis Geren, David Gipson.





Sophomores

Above, top row (left to right): Janet Hambright, Jean Hamlin, Paul Hamlin, Sandra Hanko. Bottom row: Nila Hanlin, Susan Havens, Fay Hoskins.

Right: Ron Hudson
Jim Huff
Bill Hycoop
Mary Jane Ickes
Gloria Jaquays



Right: Pat Jordan
Barbara Kannheiser
Francis Karn
Loys Keasey
Roger Keyes



Right: Ronald Keyes
Gordon King
Nancy King
Jean Kintner
Ralph Kizer



Right: David Knauss
Donna Kohler
Becky Lamphere
Charles Landells
Pat Leversee



Sophomores



Above, top row (left to right): Bruce Lovett, Phyllis Maberry, Mickey MacDonald, Shirley Marr. Bottom row: Walter Mason, Sue McArthur, Ken McCulloch.



Left: Bruce McDonald
Brenda Mein
Pat Micheau
Elaine Miller



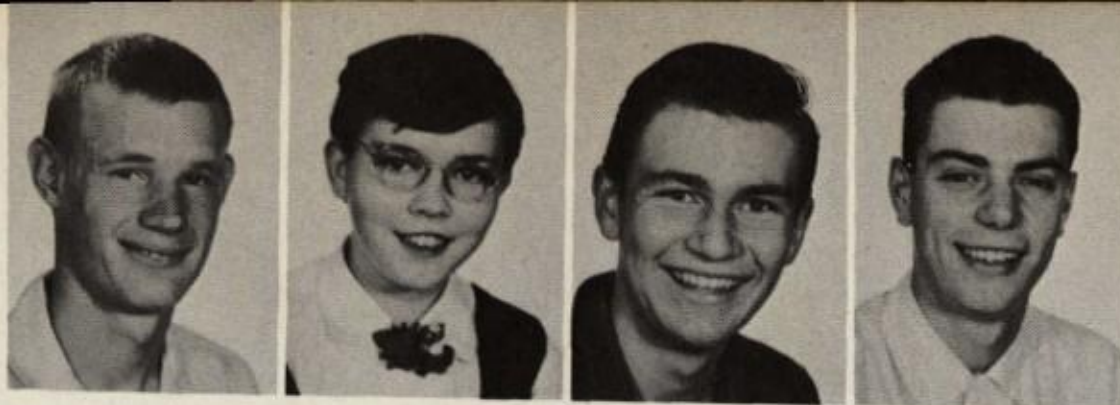
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Barbara Ouding
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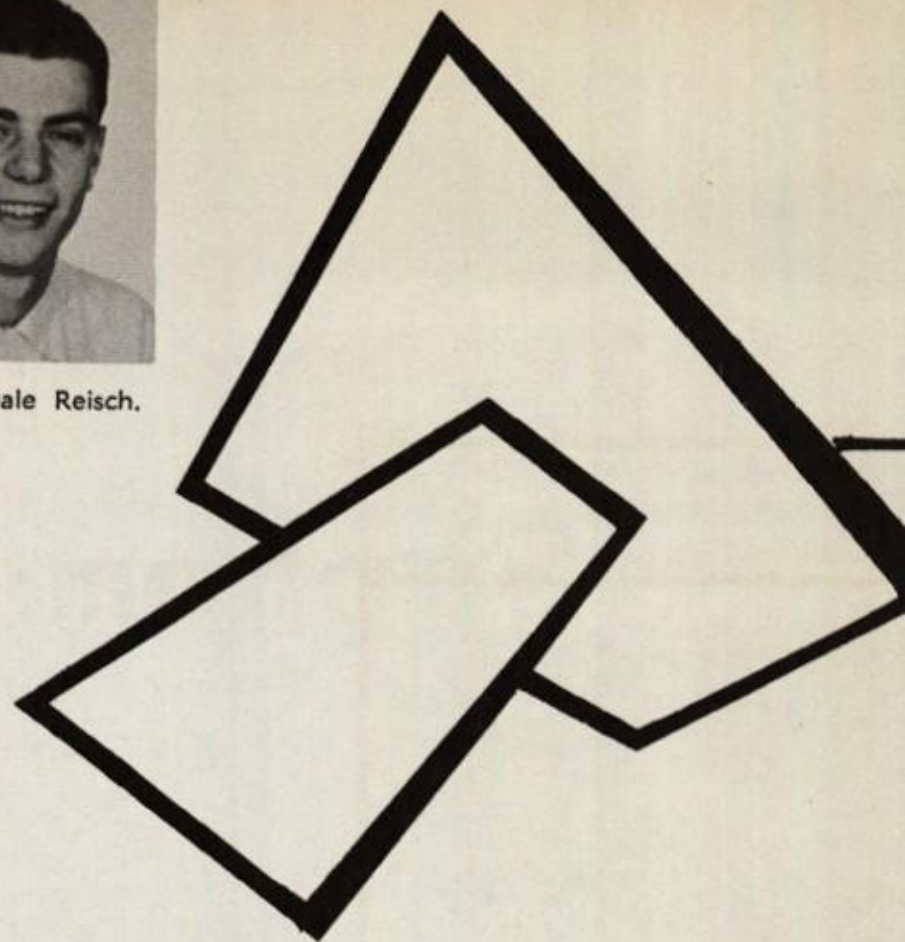


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Don Pillars
Bob Polderman
Ellen Pound
Adrian Pretzer



Above (left to right): Gordon Priester, Judy Quarry, Ronald Ranney, Dale Reisch.

Sophomores



Left: John Rich
Peggy Riggs
Jackie Roberts



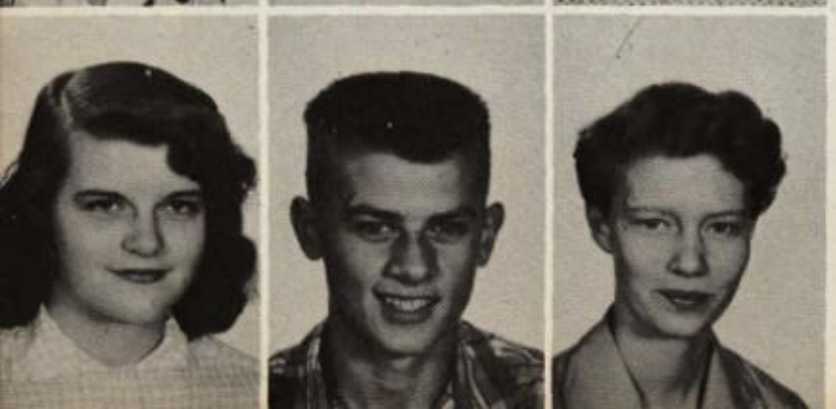
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Janet Schuring



Left: Tom Shoup
Bob Simmons
Lee Sir



Left: Shirley Slate
Altora Smith
Beth Smith



Left: Sandra Smith
Don Sosinski
Donna Snyder

Right: Jim Shoup
Rosemary Shoup



Right: Gail Sischo
Steve Skelton



Right: Dorothy Smith
Pat Smith



Right: Julia Stafinski
Marcia Stamp





Above (left to right): Glenn Steffy, Brenda Steinke, Roy Stockwell, Ronald Stonerock.

Sophomores

Right: Kay Streeter
Earl Sutton
Gerry Tolsma



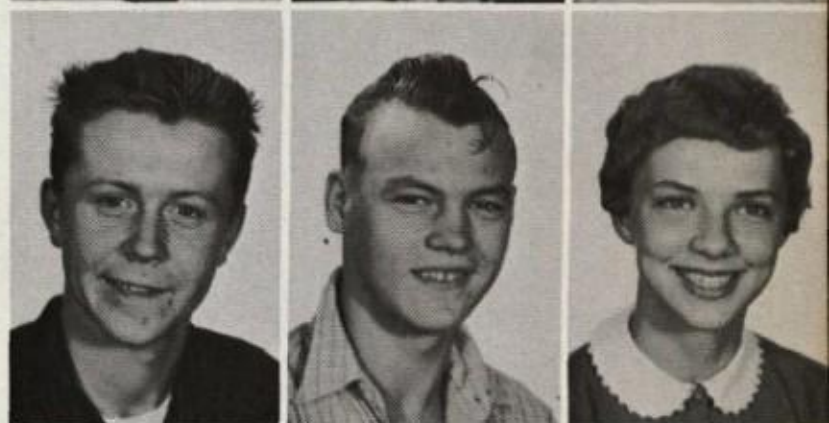
Right: Arlen VanDenBos
Lillian VandenBos
Ruth VandenBos



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Right: Mathew Wallus
Mike Warner
Pat Wdowicki



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Margo Wall



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Alice Williams
Ronald Wiser



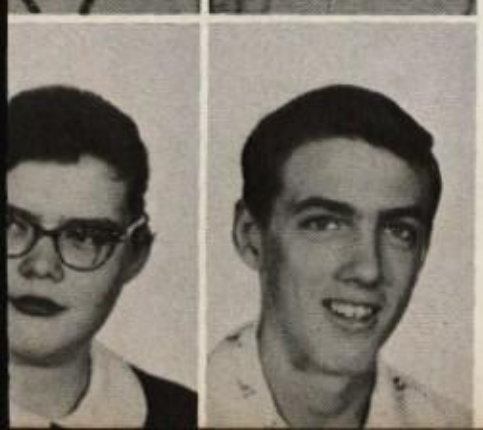
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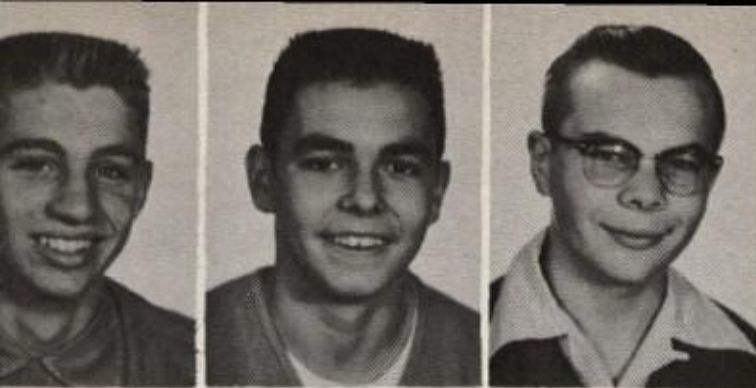
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Freshmen Class Council

FRESHMEN

Below, top row (left to right): Bill Abbott, Joan Ackley, Tom Althuis, Tom Andrews, Betty Ashby, Bob Ballentine. Bottom row: Dick Ballentine, Jane Barlow, Don Barrons, Charlene Beck, Jay Beebe, Della Berends.





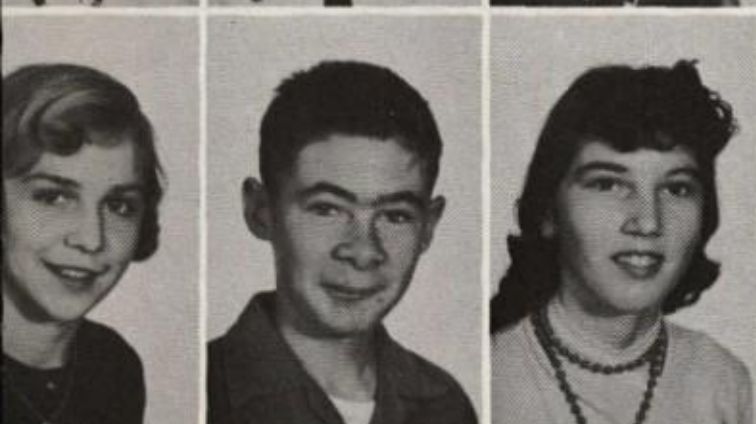
Right: Doug Bockstanz
Marvin Bonnema

Left: Bob Brink
Jim Buck
Leland Burkett



Right: Ron Burmeister
Don Burns

Left: Kathy Champion
Nancy Chappell
Barbara Coleman



Right: Dave Colter
Laura Converse

Left: Charlotte Cook
Jim Cook
Rosemary Crawford



Right: Jim Curtis
Carol Curtiss

Left: Ronald Curtiss
Jim Dean
Donna De Bruyn



Right: Bob DeLong
Roger DeRuyscher



Freshmen

Below (left to right): Betty De Vries, Larry Downs, Judy Drake, Jacob Dykstra, Arthur Eckley.





Above (left to right): Dick Eshlaman, Danny Ettwein, Ronald Ferris, Andy Fischer, Rodney Fischer.



Left: Ronny Fischer

Right: Jim Gardner



Left: Gene Garlick

Freshmen

Right: Delbert Gary



Below (left to right): Sandra Geraci, Barbara Gorzney, Carol Grace, Gary Guthrie, Ken Hambright, Carol Harper.



Below top row (left to right): Joan Herder, Bill Hinga, Glenda Hiser, George Horton, Sondra Hudson, Ronald Huis. Bottom row: Carolyn Hunt, George Hurd, Margery Hurd, Judy Hycoop, Dick Ickes, Eunice Jackson.





Above (left to right): Barbara Johnson, Jim Jones, Jean Kelley, Joan Kelley, Tom Kennedy.

Left: Lorraine Keyes

Right: Margie Keyes



Left: Melba King

Right: Barbara Kline



Freshmen

Below (left to right): Francis Knerr, Dick Koning, Betty Kuiper, Geraldine Landells, Chris Laning, Nancy Laws.



Below, top row (left to right): Dennis Leathers, Mark Lechner, La Vern Leversee, Doyle Lyles, Dennis Maberry, Ronald Lyttle. Bottom row: John Mac Donald, Joan Main, John Mc Cloud, Mary McCulloch, Ken Medema, Ann Mein.



Freshmen

Left: Bill Meyer

Right: Judy Meyle



Left: Barbara Miller
Vicki Miller

Right: Julia Moe
Judy Moran



Left: Ronald Morren
Byron Morrison

Right: Buster Morton
Carol Neal



Left: Roger Newmeyer
Violet Oswalt

Right: Eleanor Pasma
Judy Payne



Left: Frank Peterman
Barbara Peters

Right: Anita Piper
Stan Plunkett



Left: Judy Porter
Merrill Provost

Right: Nancy Quarry
Carolyn Reynolds



Left: Carolyn Riggs
Nancy Roberson

Right: Florence Roebuck
Roger Roman



Freshmen

Left: Diane Romence

Right: Shirley Russell



Left: Bill Ryder
Irving Sangsland

Right: Myrna Schneider
Byron Schuring



Left: Chris Shelton
Larry Sherman

Right: Sondra Shewmake
Jerry Sibley



Left: Bob Skinner
Phyllis Slate

Right: David Smith
Norine Smith



Left: Ron Smith
Steve Smith

Right: Wayne Smith
Nancy Snow



Left: Charles Snyder
Sharon Sossoman

Right: Dorothy Sparks
Judy Sprau



Left: Barbara Stafinski
Chuck Stanford

Right: Gerald Steinke
Dona Stewart





Left: Rodney Stockwell
Ruth Stonerock
Sharon Sturdevant

Right: John Sullivan
Linda Terpstra



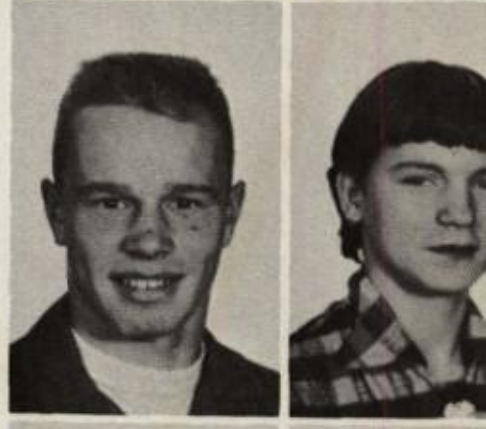
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Pat Trudell

Right: Don VanBrussell
Marcia Vanderberg



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Jane Warner



Left: Gary Wendt
Mary Lou Weyenberg
Roddy Wichman

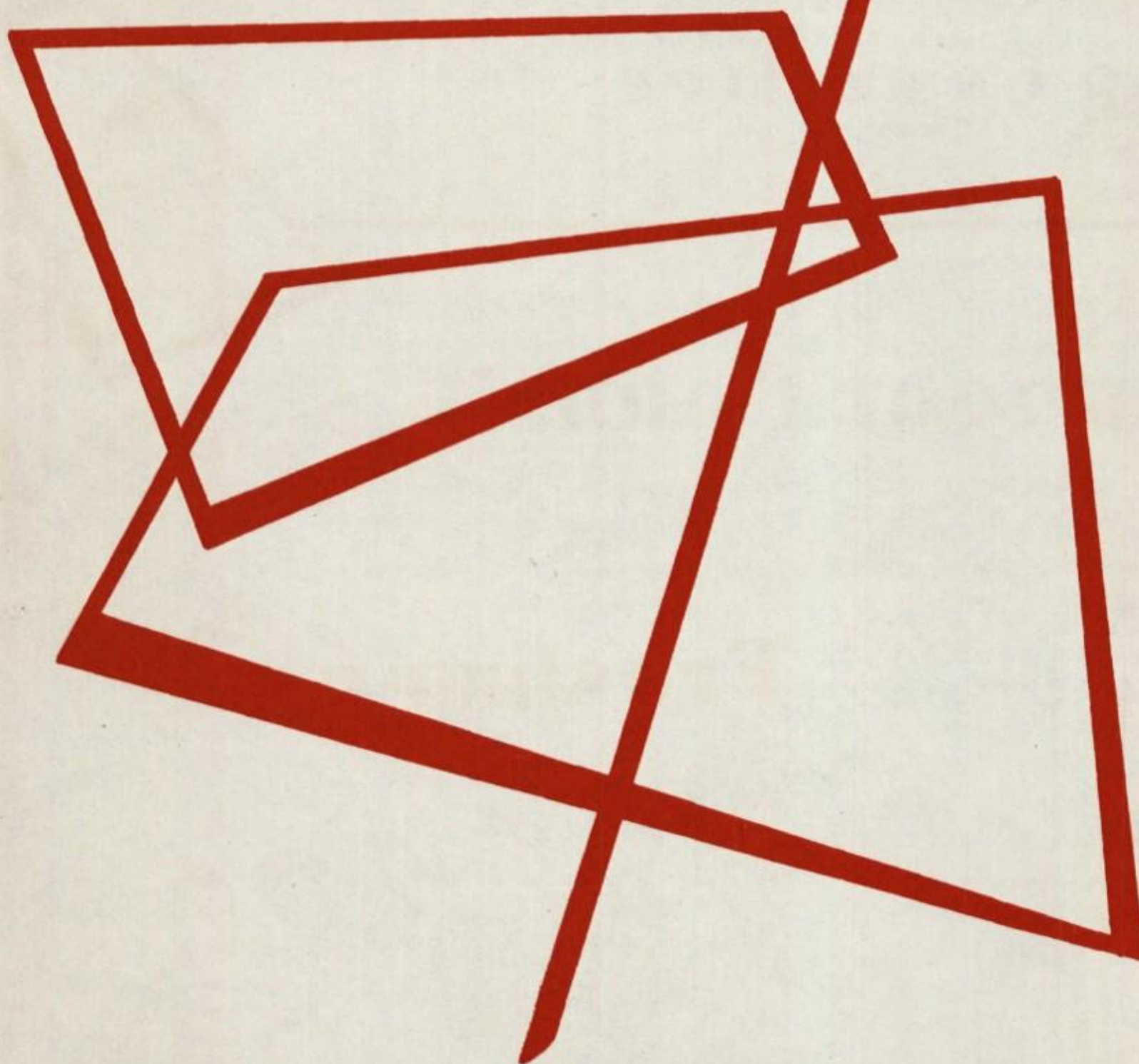
Right: Bob Williams
Judy Witters



Freshmen

Below (left to right): Sharon Witters, Beverly Wood, Larry Young.





ACTIVITIES



Left to right: Don Decker, Barbara Kannheiser, chairman, Kay Turner, Phyllis Fletcher, Barbara Gleason, Ken DeBoer.

The five members of the Pep Committee, with the fine cooperation of Miss Davis, have had a third year of continuous success. Their fine examples of talent were shown in the many successful pep assemblies that we had throughout the school year. Congratulations and many thanks to these people who have cooperated so wonderfully with the Student Council.

Pep Committee

Student Council

The Student Council of 1955-56 with the president and advisor, Lee Wenke and Mr. Vermeulen respectfully, have done many things to improve our school. Among their many undertakings this year was the purchase of a fine amplifier for our gym and the sponsoring of the annual Variety Show. There is a fine round of applause and many thanks from the student body to the council.

Front row (left to right): Joan Rutherford, Bob Beach, vice-president, Mike Bosma, president, Lee Wenke, secretary, Marilynn Miller, treasurer, Jane Schuring, Ellen Pound. Back row: Carol Goretzka, Dennis Fitzgerald, Doris Hoeksema, Bob Smith, Ken DeBoer, Don Wood, Francis Karn, Ed Wood, Bill Warner, Jim Dean, Wayne Smith, Jane Barnes.





Left to right: Jim Jones, Judy Durham, Dean Bekken, Barbara Schram, Doreen Fitzgerald.

The Student Welfare committee completed their third year of successful work as an aid to the students of our high school. They have fully cooperated with the Student Council in the many duties given to them. Many thanks from the students to this worth-while committee.

Student Welfare Committee

Social Committee

The Social Committee with Mike Bosma and Bob Beach as co-chairmen have again shown fine cooperation with the Student Council. Their continuous success with our many dances after the games and also the Christmas Formal have shown fine examples of the effort put forth by this committee.

Left to right: John Houts, Bob Beach, Mike Bosma, Sue Fenker.



Yearbook Staff

This year the Yearbook Staff of Portage High School has again published a book which everyone can be very proud to own. It's brilliant red cover and large pictures catch the eye of anyone. The staff, composed of thirteen members, and Miss Virginia Davis, their advisor, really showed fine craftsmanship and skill in their "1956 Roundup".

STAFF POSITIONS

Editor.....	Marian Eshlaman
Business managers.....	Ellen Pound and Judy Johnson
Photographer.....	Ken DeBoer
Members.....	Arlen VandenBos
Susan Havens.....	Lillian VandenBos
Jane Barnes.....	Millicent Dean
Phyllis Fletcher.....	Kay Turner
Jane Schuring.....	Mike Bosma
Barbara Schram	
Advisor.....	Virginia Davis

Front row (left to right): Jane Schuring, Kay Turner, photographer, Ken DeBoer, editor, Marian Eshlaman, business manager, Ellen Pound, Jane Barnes, Barbara Schram. Back row: Lillian VandenBos, Susan Havens, Arlen VandenBos, Mike Bosma, Phyllis Fletcher, business manager, Judy Johnson, Milly Dean, advisor, Miss Davis.



Bugle Staff

STAFF POSITIONS

Editor.....	Linda Cook
Business Manager.....	Jane Kuiper
Advertising Manager.....	Nancy Mein
Assistant Editor.....	Joan King
Sports Editor.....	Bob Hiemstra
Feature Editor.....	Sylvia VandenBos
Exchange Editor.....	Sandra Saudek
News Editor.....	Marilyn Miller
Advisor.....	Mrs. Smith

We were kept up-to-date this year on all the news and gossip of the school by means of the Bugle. The staff worked very hard in putting out nine issues of the paper. The reporters and the editors should all be congratulated and we hope to have many more delightful issues of the Bugle coming our way next year.



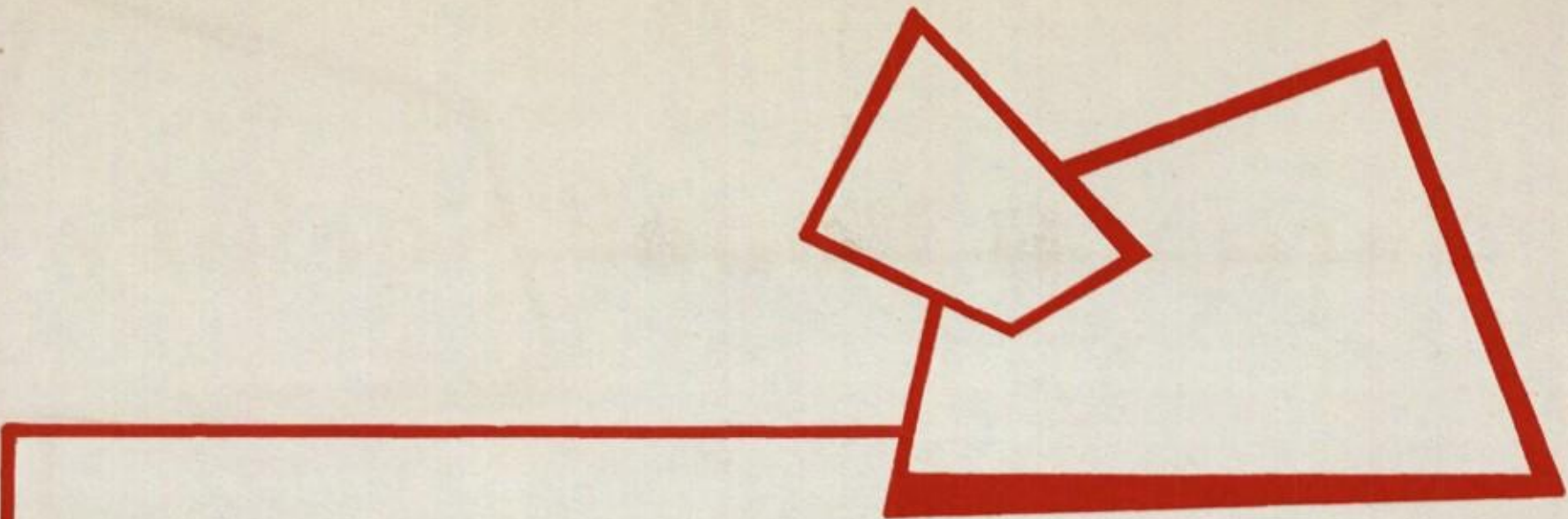
Front row (left to right): Carol Neal, Julie Morgan, Jane Kuiper, Nancy Mein, Bob Hiemstra, Linda Cook, Joan King, Sandra Saudek, Sylvia VandenBos, Marilyn Miller, Marcia Fletcher. Back row: June Kriebel, Bruce MacDonald, advisor Mrs. Smith, Joyce Christensen, Sue MacArthur.

National Honor Society



Front row (left to right): Sylvia VandenBos, Loretta Boers, Jane Kuiper, Phyllis Fletcher, Gail Burlingame, Vonda Ramer. Second row: Barbara Schram, Rosalie Hills, Beverly Klimp, Jane Schuring, Marilyn Miller, Carol Goretzka. Back row: Bob Beach, Lee Wenke, John Schneider, Dean Bekken, Ron Harding, advisor Mr. Martin.

The National Honor Society is made up of students outstanding in scholarship, citizenship, character and service. Mr. Martin, their advisor, deserves a lot of praise for this fine organization he has set up in our school.



Health Room Workers

Miss McCorkle and Miss Horton certainly do a nice job training the student who help out in the Health Room. It is truly a great service these people do in administering to our needs as we become ill or have minor accidents at school. Their time and efforts are truly appreciated and we say thank you!

Front row (left to right): Kay Vos, Ruth VandenBos, Kay Streeter, Judy Marks, Pat Ramer, Judy Rae Cook. Back row: Sandra Geraci, Pat Leversee, Delbert Gary, Shirley Slate, Delores King.



Future Nurses

Under the direction of Miss Horton, the Future Nurses are still going strong and growing. One of the things they have done this year, was to have a tea with the eighth grade girls who plan on being nurses and joining the club next year. Two student nurses from Borgess Hospital came to one of their meetings and talked to them about nursing. The Future Nurses also attended the convention at South Side Junior High School.

Front row (left to right): Judy Sprau, Linda Terpstra, Karen McMorrow, Louise Russell, Kay Vos, Jane Boogholt, Judy Marks, Madeline Hurd. Back row: Vonda Ramer, JoAnn Boers, Carol Vosburg, Judy Logan, Glenda Hiser, Sue Beach, Berta Thoms, Geraldine Landells, Joan Zegerius, Chris Shelton, Judy Witters.



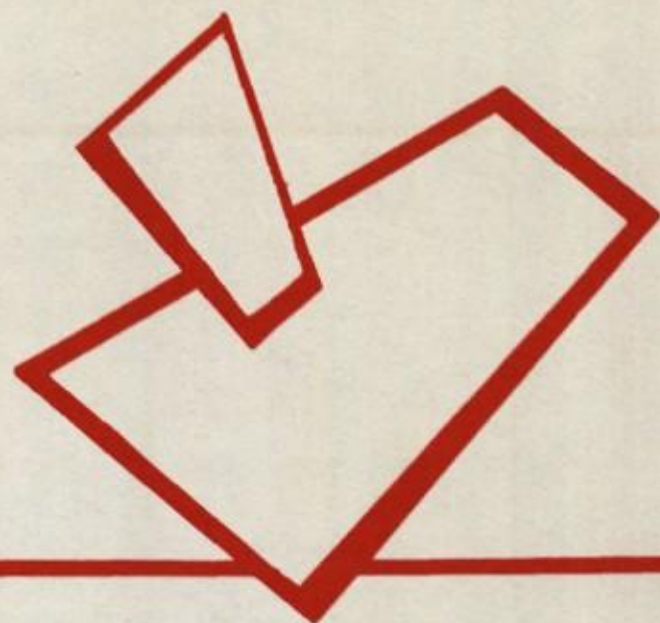


Front row (left to right): Mary Jane Ickes, Altora Smith, Judy Cook, treasurer, Gail Townsend, president, Anita Garcia, secretary, Bobbie Zanger, Sue MacArthur, Ellen Pound, Barbara Schram. Back row: Barbara Gleason, Sandra Smith, Sandy Hudson, Beth Ann Smith, Sharon Witters, Carol Arey, Judy Plantefaber, Sue Walker, Jane Barnes, Pat Micheau, Becky Lamphere, Sue Yonkers, Doreen Fitzgerald, Sharon Wooden, advisor, Mrs. Wolbers.

This year the Future Teachers have enjoyed another successful year of their fine, worth-while organization. With Mrs. Wolbers as their advisor, they have accomplished many successful undertakings—among these were money raising projects such as a bake sale. The money from projects such as this was used for charity and other accomplishments. The students in this organization have thoroughly enjoyed themselves during the past year.

Future Teachers

Librarians



Our whole library plan has been changed this year due to the efforts of our administration and Mr. Richardson, the librarian. A separate library room is now operating and makes for better book and magazine circulation. The staff of students working with Mr. Richardson are doing a commendable job and should be congratulated.



Front row: (left to right): Eileen Weessies, Sandra Coder, Peg Keleman, Anna Hoogakker, Emily Dee, Judy Marciniak, Norma Minor, Altona Smith, Jane Boogholt, Phyllis Geren, Angeline Frizzo. Back row: Gerald Steinke, Fern Champlin, Laura Converse, Kathy VanderSalm, Glenda Hiser, Louise Russell, advisor Mr. Richardson, Cynthia VanderSalm, Betty DeVries, Delores Slater, Geraldine Landells, Bob Dee.



Audio-Visual Club

The Audio-visual boys, under the direction of Mr. Richardson, have done a wonderful job this year. They are the ones responsible for getting all the equipment ready for use in our assemblies and pep meetings. A few of them also spin our records during the noon hour.

Front row (left to right): Joe Eckley, Walter Mason, Burt Webb, Dale Barrons, Jim Provost, Roger Borden, Jack Raab, Jim Tozer, Gail Burlingame, Charles Landells, Jim Huff. Standing back: Ron Keyes, advisor Mr. Richardson, Gerry Tolsma.





Front row (left to right): Gail Burlingame, Glory Stanton, Joan Kelley, Ron Stockwell, Jim Huff. Second row: Carol Arey, Gene Garlick, Susan Havens, Nancy Morrison, Sharon Sturdevant, Mary Jo Lapekas, Gail Townsend. Third row: Doug Bockstanz, Susan Walker, Nancy Chappell, Barbara Miller, Bill Hycoop, Doyle Bush, Carol Colvin, Judy Petkoff, Ron Curtiss, Chuck Arnold, Bob Jaquays. Back row: Byron Morrison, David Borden, Dave Sherman, Ron Smith, Sue Beach, Susan Fenker.

Under the direction of Mr. Freeman Russell and the new assistant, Mr. Robert Lee, the band has done a fine job. Marching between the halves of the home football games and presenting concerts were a few of their activities. Something newly added, the "honors" band, played at the pep rallies and basketball games.

Band



Front row (left to right): Judy Hycoop, Brenda Mein, Jackie Roberts, Joan Ackley, Tom Alhuis. Second row: Bill Warner, Lee Sir, Judy Logan, Roy Stockwell, Dean Bekken, Rod Stockwell, Lynn Clark, Dick Bartholomew.. Third row: Eugene Morrison, Joe Eckley, Louis Klein, Art Kramer, Dennis Fitzgerald, Elizabeth Mathias, Dennis Leathers, Tom Andrews, Jim Gardner, Bob Converse. Back row: Eugene Mathis, Sonny Whisler, Jim Farrand, Don Pillars, Jerry Sibley, Jake Dykstra, Bob Ballentine, Gary Glowe, Bob Brink, Roger Borden, Mark Lechner, Bob Beach. Standing: Directors Mr. Lee and Mr. Russell.





Front row (left to right): Glory Stanton, Gail Burlingame, Bob Converse, Dean Bekken. Back row: Allan Smith, Bill Warner, Bob Beach, Jim Farrand, Dave Sherman, Suzanne Beach, Susan Fenker, John Kirkman.

Organized for the purpose of both pleasure and providing music at dances, the Dance Band continued their fine work. They tried to meet weekly for practice.

Dance Band

Majorettes

The majorettes did a fine job this year at each of the home football games, and performed once during basketball at half time. Good luck next year!



Sue Fenker, Janet Davis, Phyllis Fletcher.



Front row (left to right): Sandra Burlingame, Noreen Smith, Mildred Champion, Beverly Klimp, Ron Hord, Ken Evensen, David Borden, Paul Hamlin, Bob Kelly, Howard Wilcox, Dale Gipson, Bill Crill, Danny Ettwein, Don Barrons, director, Mr. Thusius. Second row: Barbara Johnson, Barbara Zanger, Donna Snyder, Peg Keleman, Toby Cook, Betty DeVries, Gail Burlingame, Bob Converse, Sandy Bredahl, Joan Rutherford, Franny Sischo, Evon Gerlof, Judy Marciniak, Joyce Bonnema, Jane Barlowe. Third row: Judy Payne, Pat Trudell, Donna Stewart, Lorraine Keyes, Phyllis Slater, Mary McCulloch, Martha Merica, Joyce Peterson, Delores Slater, Alice Sosinski, Judy Hamilton, Nancy Treece, Helen Burkett, Nancy Snow, Betty Ashby, Marilyn Miller. Fourth row: Melba King, Carol Harcher, Norma Minor, Karen McMorrow, Marilyn Paul, Fern Champlin, Sondra Coder, Donna Kohler, Sharon Wooden, Beverly Wood, Elaine Tackett, Loretta Tompkins, JoAnn Boers, Judy Plantefaber. Back row: Ruth Ann Stonerock, Nila Hanlin, Carol Vosburgh, Arnola Herder, Betty Mulder, Pat Ramer, Janet Youngs, Rose Norwood, Sheila Drake, Letha Emmons, Mary Dull, Donna Foltz, Carol Oswalt, Judy Johnson.

The high school mixed chorus, under the direction of Mr. Thusius, has done a marvelous job in all of their performances this past year. They did an outstanding job in the Christmas Program and we are looking forward to hearing them again this coming year.

Chorus



Christmas Program





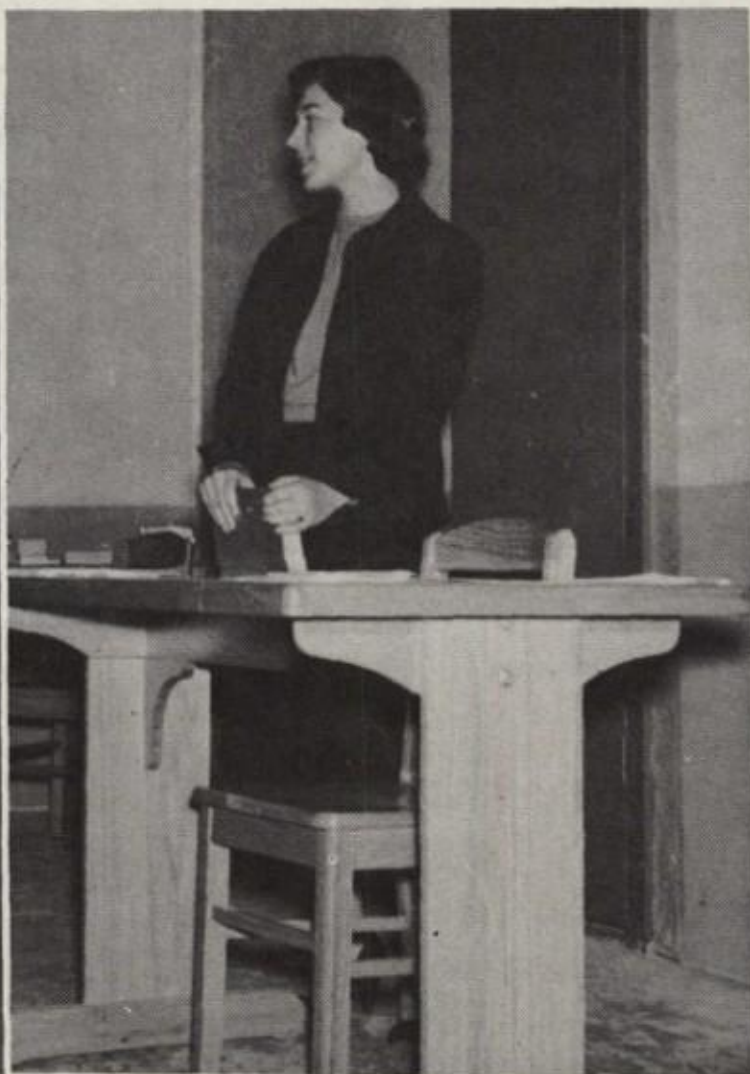
Homecoming





Senior Play

"Line of Scrimmage" was presented by the seniors to a full house of enthusiastic viewers. It was filled with comedy and excitement from the moment it started. Mrs. Summers also did a grand job of directing.





Left to right: Mike Lyons, Susan Fenker, Herb Gay, Phyllis Fletcher, Mary Beth Cook, Keith Newbury.



Mrs. Summers

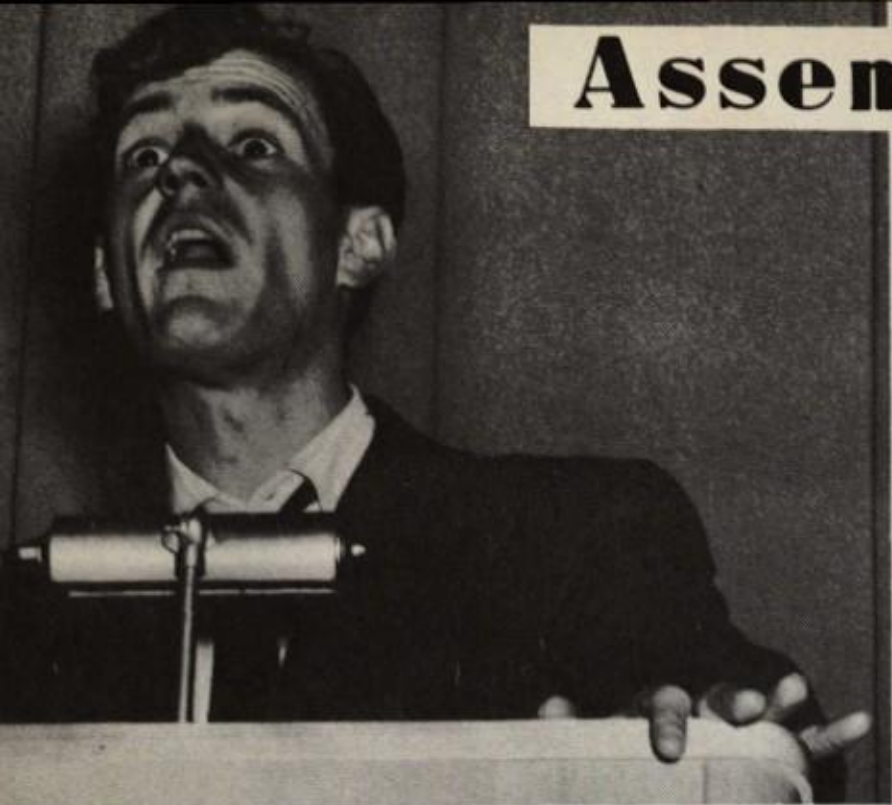
Junior Play

The Junior Play this year was a great success under the direction of Mrs. Summers. The cast did a fine job and we are looking forward to seeing some of them in the Senior Play next year.

Left to right: Alan Marcy, Bill Kaminga, Suzanne Beach, Keith Newbury, Jack Blaauw, Ron Harding, Judy Johnson, Mike Lyons.



Assemblies



Pep Meetings

The Honor Band is made up of members of the regular Portage band. All the members of this group are top musicians and volunteer their time to practice on their own. They have done a fine job of marching and playing for our football and basketball pep meetings. Thank you!

Front row (left to right): Gail Burlingame, Glory Stanton, Gene Garlick, Carol Arey, Susan Havens, Sharon Sturdevant, Laura Converse, Doug Bockstanz. Second row: Dennis Fitzgerald, Jake Dykstra, Judy Logan, Roy Stockwell, Charles Arnold, Bill Warner, Elizabeth Mathis, Bob Converse, Dick Bartholomew. Back row: Bob Beach, Roger Borden, Gary Glowe, Mark Lechner, Ronald Smith, Dean Bekken, Allan Smith, Jim Farrend, Jerry Sibley.





Front row (left to right): Shirley Russell, Mary Lou Norwood, vice-president, Carol Vosburgh, president Louise Russell, secretary-treasurer, Linda Smith, Marjorie Keyes, Vonda Ramer. Back row: Joan Zegerius, Pat Ramer, Judy Logan, Emily Dee, Judy Marks, Georgiana Ponicki, Peg Keleman, advisor, Mr. Moon.

Motor Clubs

This year, in addition to a Boy's Motor Club we had a Girl's Motor Club. It was the first year for the girl's whose sponsor was Mr. Moon. Along with Mr. Kennedy, the Boy's Motor Club advisor, the two clubs went to Detroit and Lansing. The Boy's Motor Club also went to Chicago. They also sponsored a mileage run last fall and offered fine trophies for the winners. Together the two clubs have started a fine interest in the mechanics of the car for both the girls and the boys.

Front row (left to right): Advisor, Mr. Kennedy, vice-president Ned Behl, secretary, Bob Polderman, president, Larry Hamlin, treasurer, Herb Gay, Tom Walker, Ron Roman. Back row: Dick Streeter, Matt Wallus, Lynn Clark, Dale Gipson, Howard DesVoignes, Don Hiemstra, Tom Keelan, Ron Hord, Ron Weyenberg, Ed Bogema.





Front row (left to right): Vonda Ramer, president, Rosalie Hills, vice-president, Georgiana Ponicki, secretary, Jane Boogholt, treasurer, Ron Harding, advisor, Mrs. Summers. Back row: Judy Marks, Judy Hamilton, Jim Holton, Jim Phillips, Alan Marcy, Anita Garcia, Kay Vos.

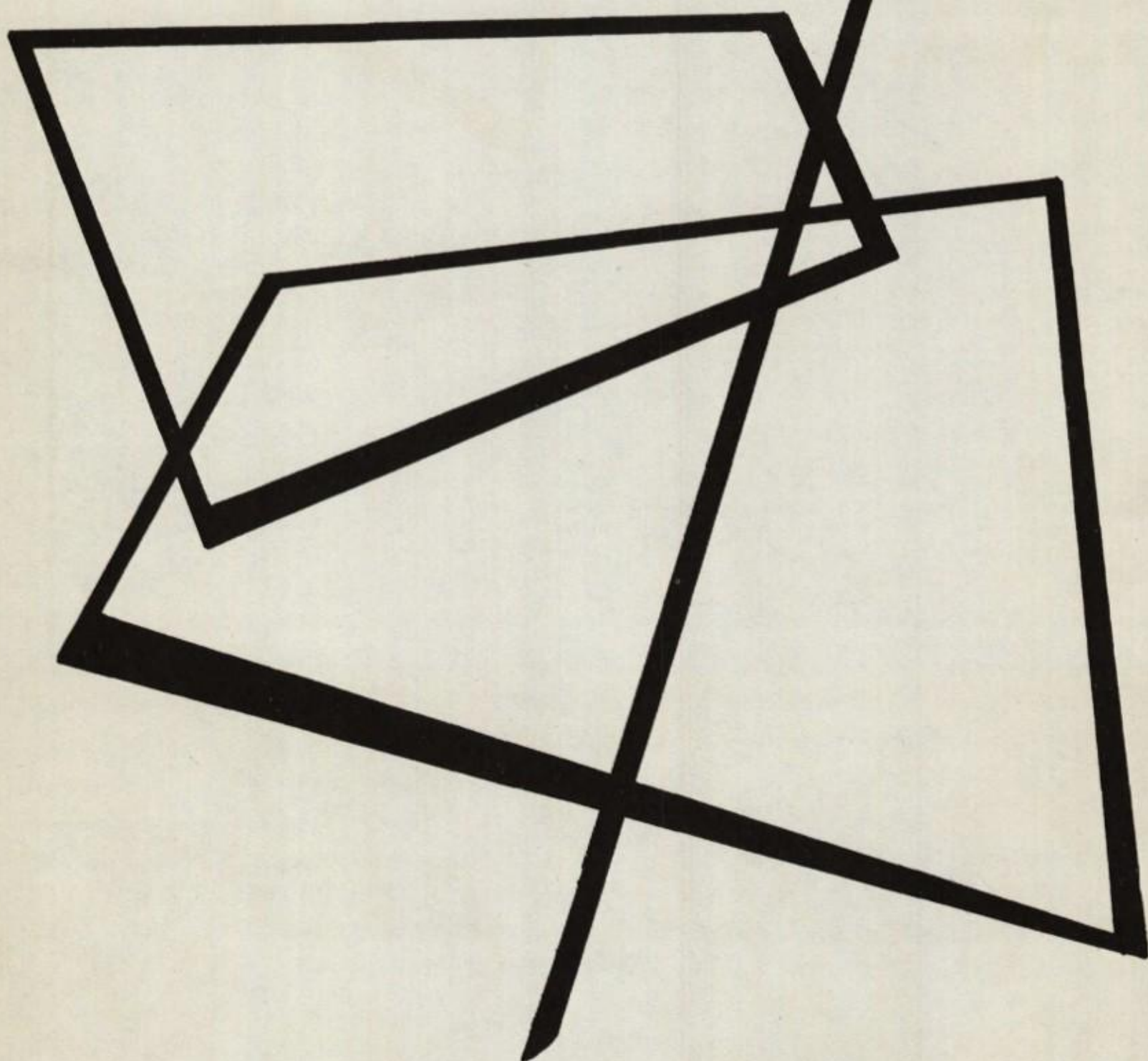
The Latin Club, although in its first year, has been very successful in all its undertakings. Their biggest and main project was the Roman Holiday which was held at Portage with many guests from other schools. Good Luck to the coming year club!

Latin Club



Features





ATHLETICS

G.A.A.

Under the direction of Miss Jean Smith, the G.A.A. meets once a week usually on Wednesday after school. During this time they play ping-pong, badminton, volley-ball and basketball. For a certain length of time they did modern dancing. They also participated in several Play Days with other schools.

Front row (left to right): Gloria Jaquays, Carol Grace, Sharon Vosburgh, vice-president, Barbara Kannheiser, president, Joan King, treasurer, Bobbie Zanger, advisor, Miss Smith, Carol Goretzka, Georgiana Ponicki, Carol Miles. Second row: Shirley Baber, Sue Yonkers, Carol Flegal, Mary Ann Bouma, Gail Townsend, Susan Walker, Eunice Jackson, Pat Micheau, Altona Smith. Third row: Glenda Hiser, Barbara Coleman, Barbara Kline, Betty Kuiper, Ann Mein, Barbara Miller, Judy Hycoop, Sharon Sturdevant, Carol Colvin, Delores Slater. Fourth row: Anita Garcia, Noreen Smith, Elaine Tackett, Lorraine Keyes, Betty Ashby, Beverly Klimp, Judy Moran, Diane Romence, Laura Converse, Burta Thoms, Janet Danielson. Back row: Doreen Fitzgerald, Ellen Pound, Sue MacArthur, Dorothy Smith, Brenda Mein, Brenda Steinke, Pat Smith, Carol Crain, Ruth VandenBos, Beth Ann Smith, Gail Burlingame.



Varsity Club

The Varsity Club is under the direction of Ernie Kirkman this year and is made up of boys who have won their letter in a varsity sport. Some of the projects for the year were selling concessions at tournament games and planning a trip in the spring.

Front row (left to right): Ned Behl, Dennis Fitzgerald, Leonard Wilcox, President, Landis McFinton, Vice-president, Ken DeBoer, secretary, Bill Fletcher, treasurer, Alan Marcy, Ron Burke. Back row: Eugene DeRuyscher, Louis Klein, Bruce MacDonald, Bib Smith, Rand Lauritzen, Ron Harding, Roger Kramer, Dave Durham, Mike Bosma, Bob Hiemstra, Ron Barnard, Don Decker, Ed Wood, advisor Kirkman.



Reserve Football

RESERVE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE AND SCORES

September 20	Portage 21	South Haven 7
September 27	Portage 6	Otsego 6
October 4	Portage 21	St. Augustine 7
October 11	Portage 0	State High 25
October 18	Portage 6	Plainwell 6
October 25	Portage 12	Allegan 13
November 2	Portage 18	Vicksburg 0

The Reserve Football team did quite well this year with a 3-2-2 record. There were many injuries which hampered them but they showed both drive and spirit, winning their final games in a terrific downpour. They have much talent and we should be very proud of them.

Front row (left to right): Bob Brink, Bill Ryder, Doyle Lyles, Bill Warner, Stan Plunkett, Wayne Smith, Gary Guthrie, Richard Bartholomew, Roy Stockwell, Dick Ballentine, Byron Morrison. Second row: Coach Veld, Clyde Walker, Ronny Wichman, Dave Moran, Arlen Vandenbos, Loys Keasey, Dave Callighan, Chuck Stanford, Doug Bockstanz, Jerry Sibley, Coach Grau. Back row: Walt Mason, Jim Phillips, Jim Coder, Jim Ryder, Bill Meyer, Gordon Priester, Don Wood, Francis Karn, Ken Carpenter, Larry Downs.



VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE AND SCORES

September 16	Portage 0	Ludington	19
September 23	Portage 20	South Haven	7
September 30	Portage 13	Otsego	0
October 7	Portage 13	Hastings	0
October 14	Portage 0	State High	26
October 21	Portage 13	Plainwell	7
October 28	Portage 12	Allegan	6
November 4	Portage 19	Vicksburg	0
November 19	Portage 13	St. Augustine	6

Varsity Football

The Varsity Football team had it's greatest season in history. Placing second in the Wolverine Conference, losing only to State High. In a non-conference game against St. Augustine, for the first time, Portage was the victor. The team was very capably coached by "Ace" Candoli and line coach Conrad Hinz.

Front row (left to right): Ed Davis, Bob Smith, Don Pillars, Leroy Nowakowski, Galen Smith, Louis Klein, Mike Bosma, Gary Glowe, Dave Hamilton, Les Green, Bruce MacDonald, Bob Hiemstra, Roger Kramer. Standing (side): Coach Conrad Hinz. Back row: Ron Harding, Ron Barnard, Ron Stonerock, Ron Burke, Tony Haye.



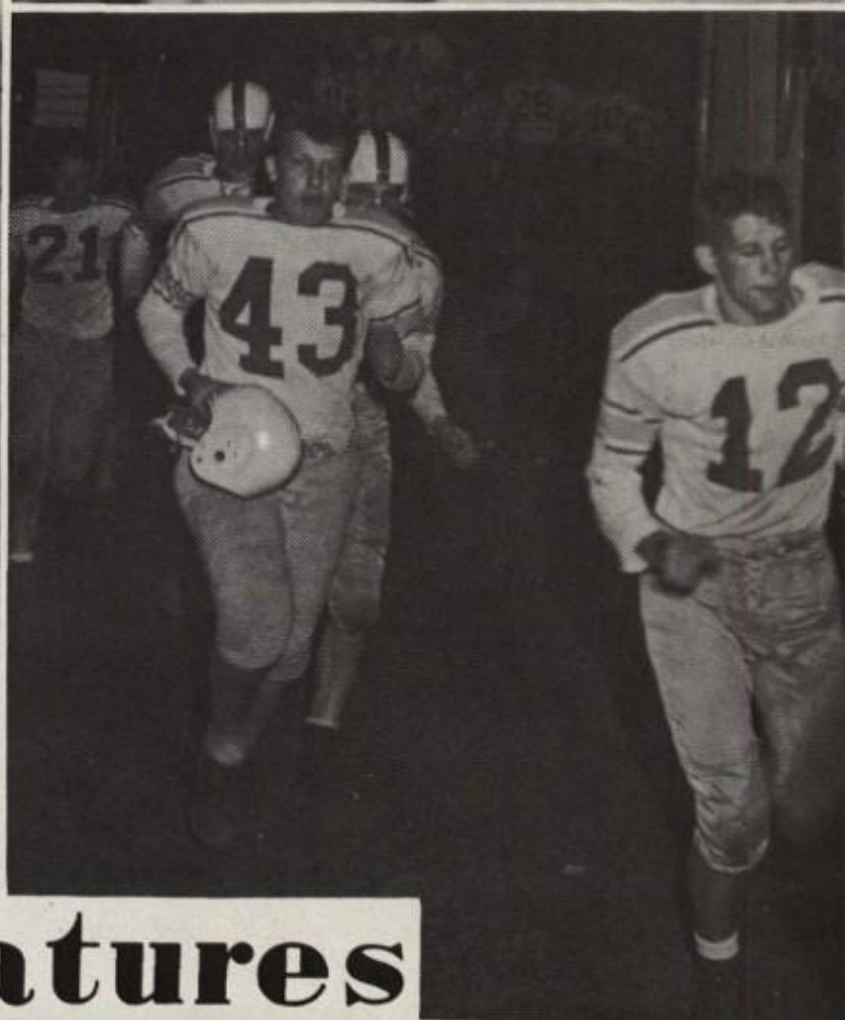
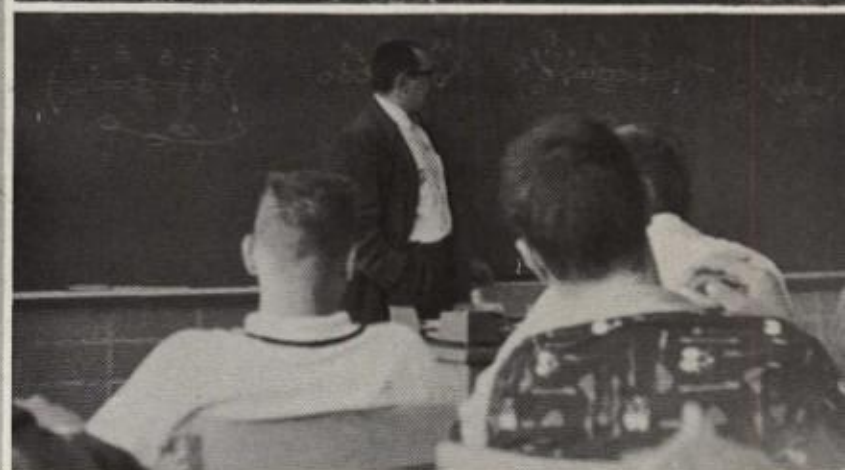
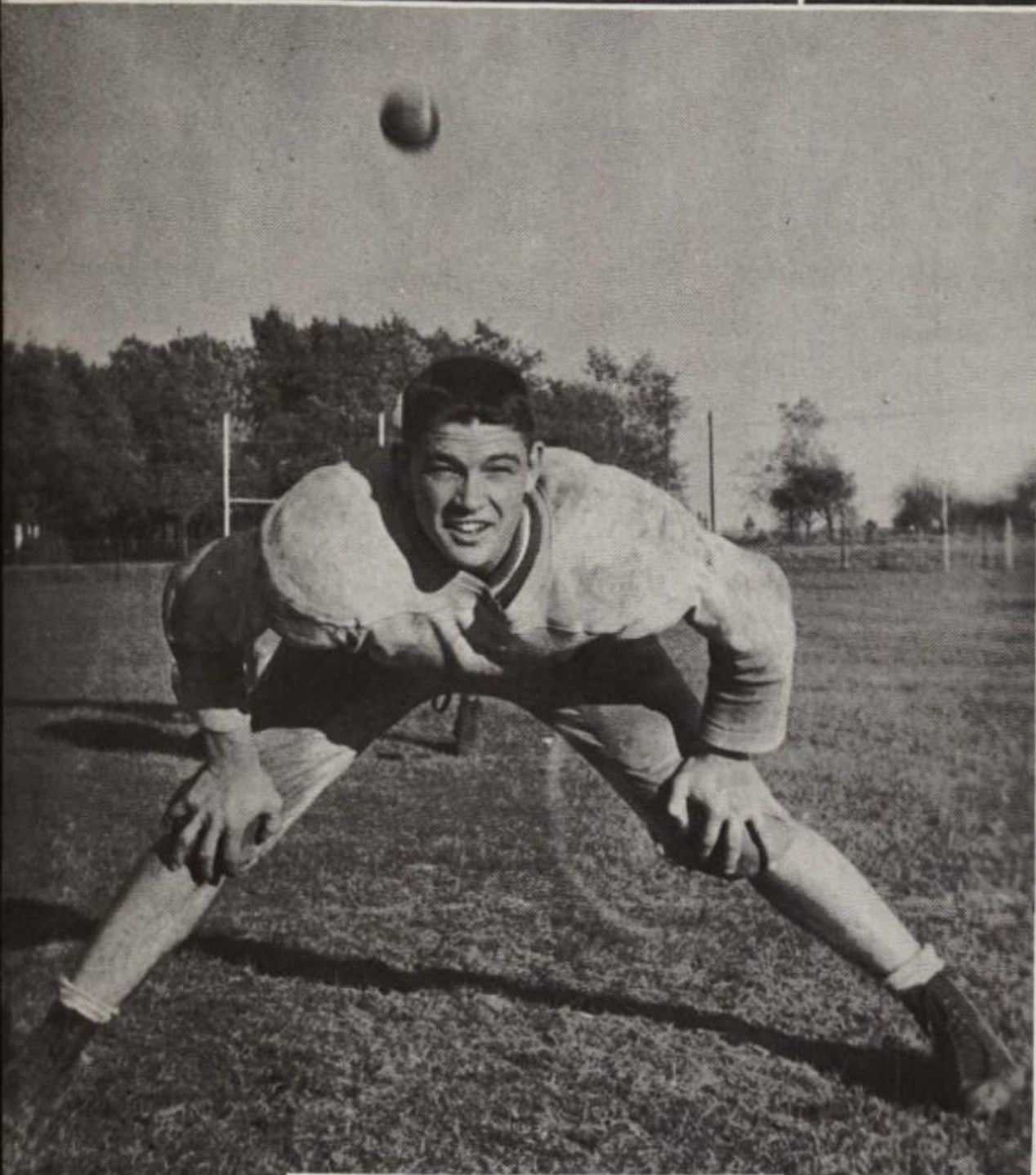


Coach Hinz, Don Decker, Landis McFinton, Coach Candoli.

Varsity Football

Front row (left to right): Ken DeBoer, Ed Wood, Tom Brouwer, Landis McFinton, Dale Dratt, Ron Stockwell, Doug Smith, John Houts, Leonard Wilcox, Don Decker, Bill Fletcher, Eugene Morrison. Back row: Dave Durham, Pat Barrett, Bruce Shay, Jim Barrett, manager Tom Marks, manager Gerry Tolsma, Coach "Ace" Candoli.

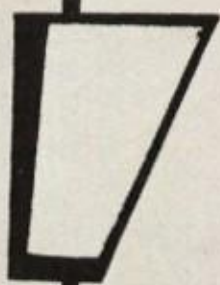




Football Features



Varsity



Left to right: Suzanne MacArthur, Nancy Mein, Jane Schuring.

The Varsity Cheerleading Squad with Mrs. Whitcomb as their supervisor have shown a great deal of pep and enthusiasm for their teams. Their uniforms were white skirts or slacks with blue sweaters with the "P" on their sweaters. Their good manners and excellent sportsmanship have proven to other schools Portages' fine school spirit.

Cheerleaders

Under the supervision of Mrs. Whitcomb the Reserve Cheerleaders supported their teams all the way this season. The "peppy" girls in blue and white led their fellow students in cheers of victory.

Front row (left to right): Charlene Beck, Barbara Kannheiser. Back row: Nancy King, Advisor Mrs. Whitcomb, Juliana Geraci, Sandra Geraci.

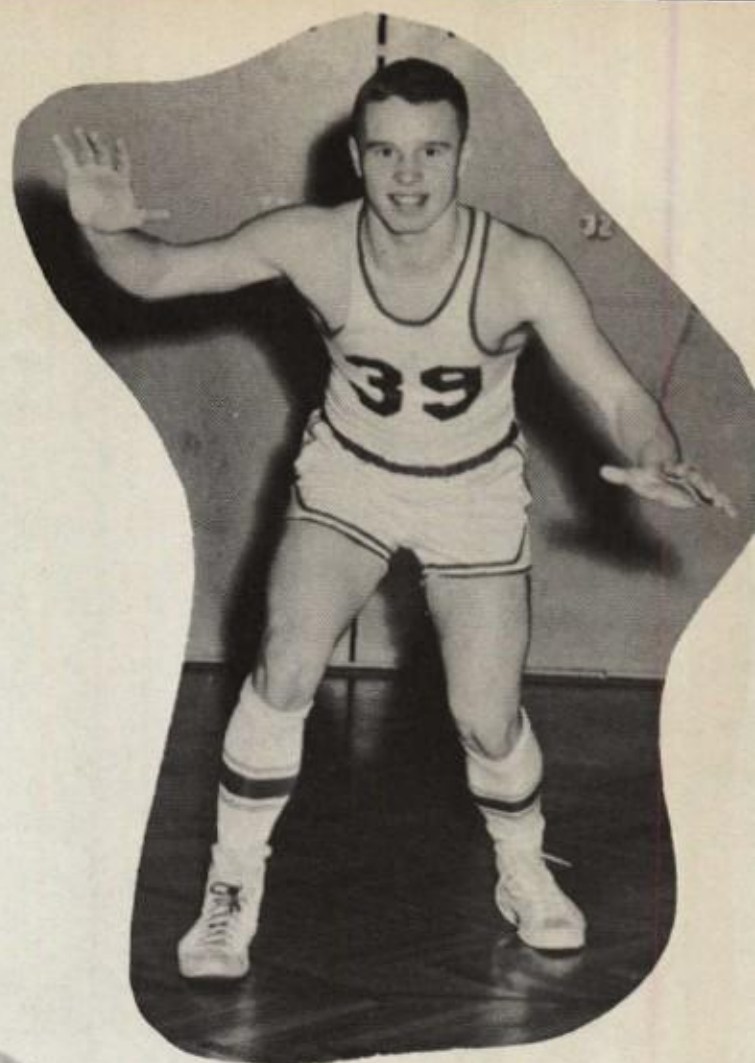


Reserve

Varsity Basketball



GORDON PRIESTER



BILL WARNER



RON STONEROCK



MICKEY McDONALD



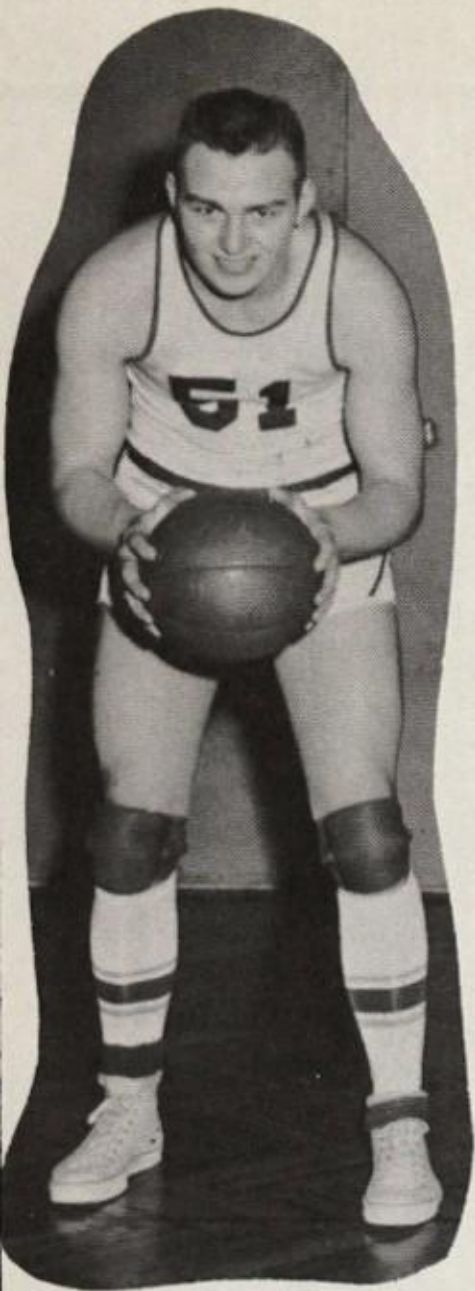
BILL CRILL

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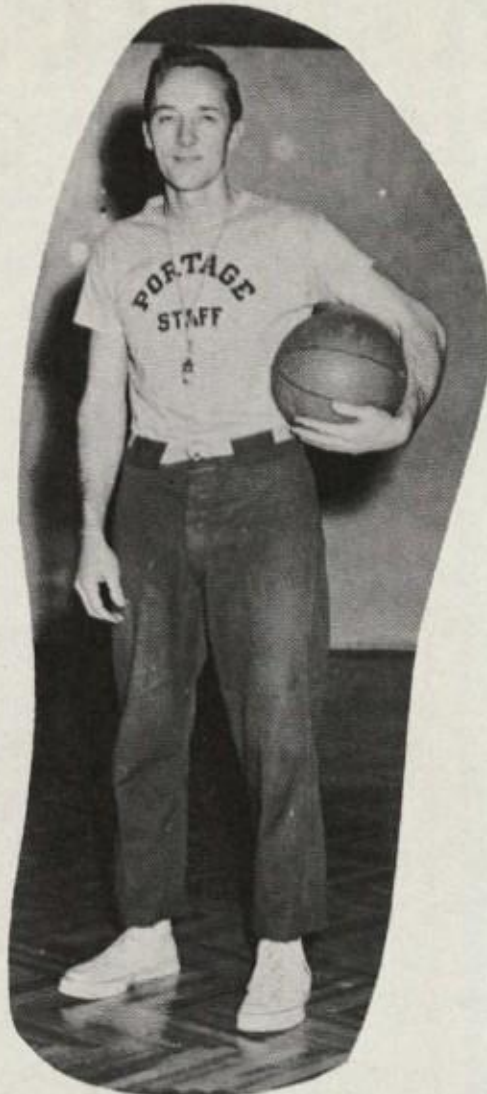
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South Haven 49
Holland Christian 42
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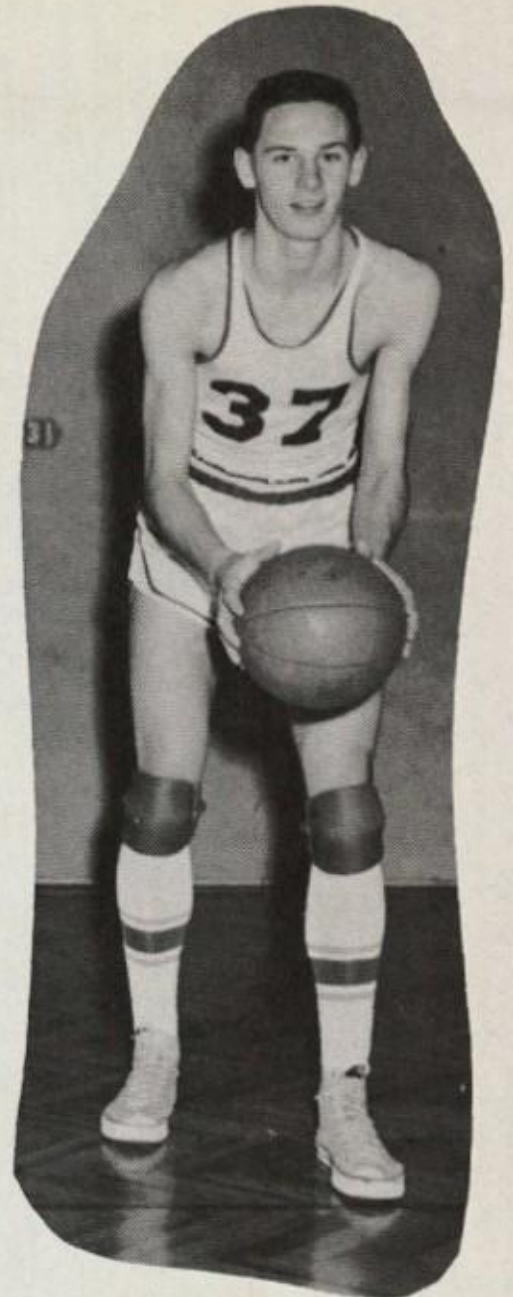
Varsity Basketball



ROGER KRAMER



Coach—Eddie Grau



BILL MEYER

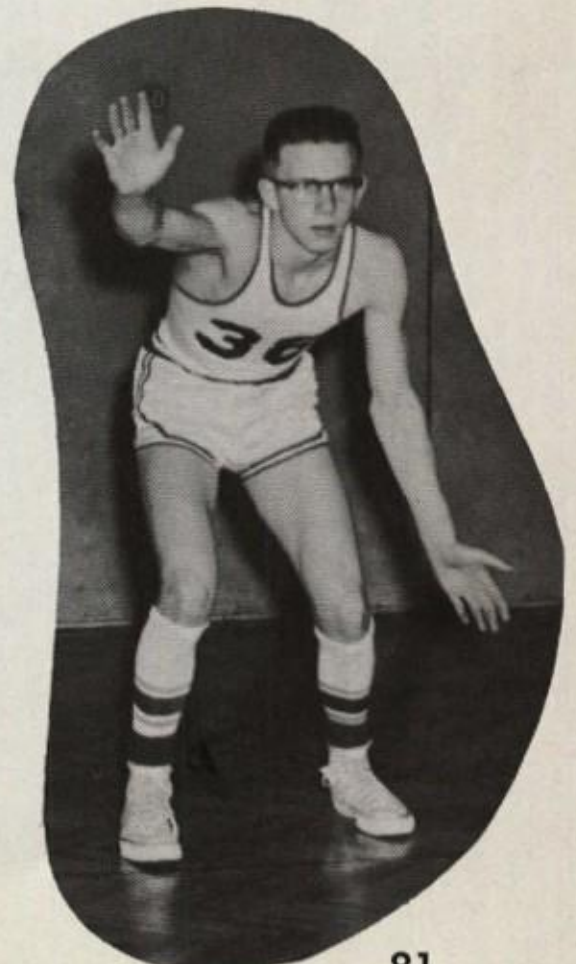
The Varsity Basketball team ended up the regular season with a record of 6 wins and 9 losses and lost out in the first round of tournament play. We extend our congratulations to Coach Grau and hope for a more successful season next year.



BRUCE McDONALD



GARY CURTISS



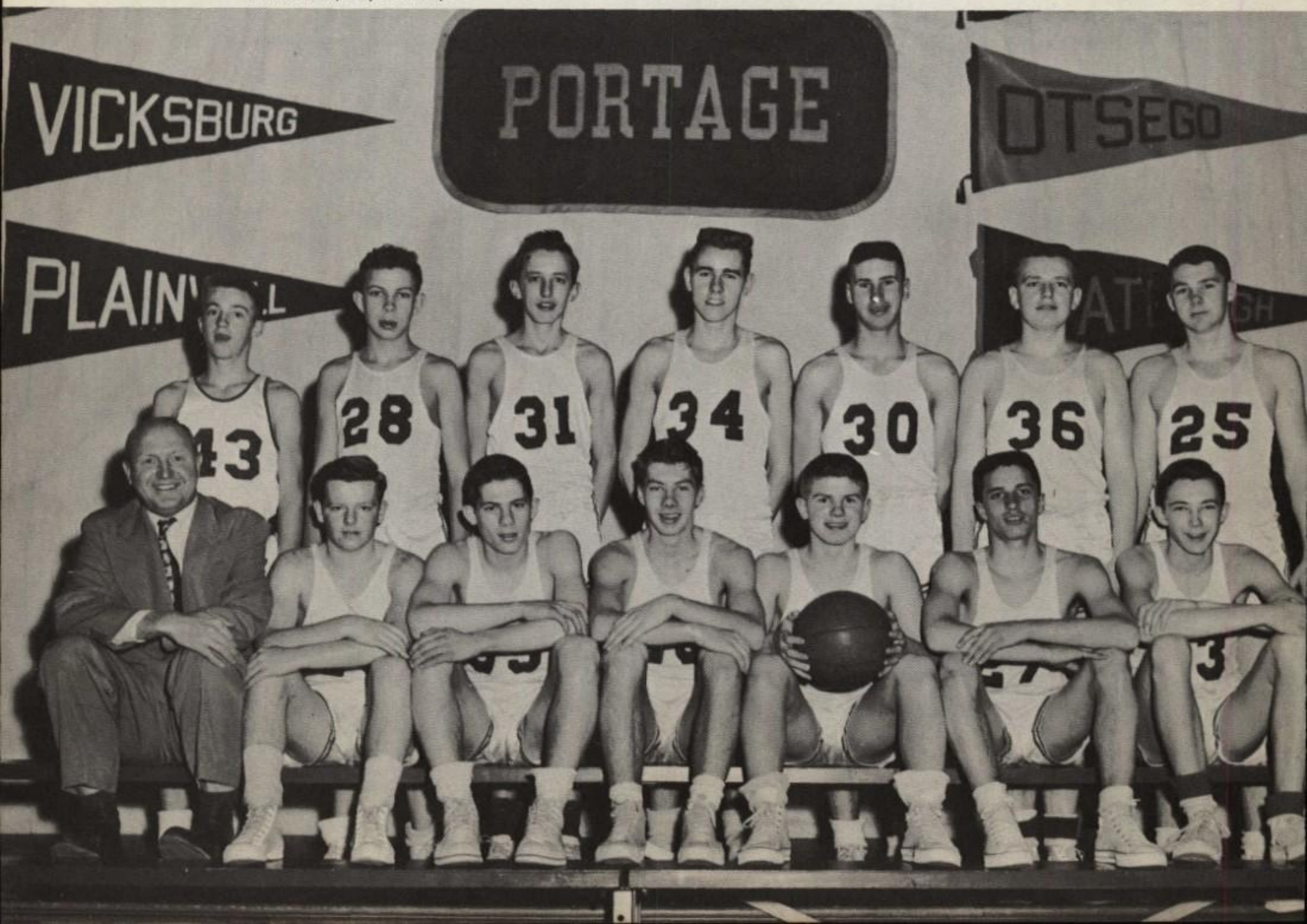
LOUIS KLEIN

Reserve Basketball

December 2	Portage 52	South Haven 66
December 9	Portage 26	Holland Christian 55
December 13	Portage 45	Allegan 42
December 16	Portage 45	Plainwell 54
December 20	Portage 38	St. Augustine 42
January 6	Portage 33	State High 43
January 10	Portage 37	Otsego 34
January 13	Portage 50	Allegan 62
January 20	Portage 32	Vicksburg 43
January 27	Portage 52	South Haven 44
February 3	Portage 33	Ionia 29
February 10	Portage 32	Plainwell 55
February 14	Portage 47	State High 59
February 17	Portage 44	Otsego 46
February 24	Portage 20	Vicksburg 41
Record—4 wins—11 losses		
Coach—Gar Veld		

The Reserve Basketball team did a fine job this year with 4 wins and 11 losses. Good luck next year.

Front row (left to right): Coach Veld, Roy Stockwell, Ron Wiser, Buster Morton, Wayne Smith, Clyde Walker, Dave Moran. Back row: Rolfe Ward, George Minor, Earl Sutton, Jim Ryder, Ken Carpenter, Arlen VanDenBos, Loys Keasey.



Freshmen Basketball

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

Portage 24	Plainwell	26
Portage 26	State High	24
Portage 45	Otsego	41
Portage 23	Milwood	31
Portage 39	Vicksburg	23
Portage 43	Vicksburg	33
Portage 38	Milwood	19
Portage 38	Plainwell	32
Portage 34	State High	17
Portage 37	Otsego	29

Record—8 wins—2 losses
Coach—Jim Hart

The Frosh Basketball team came up with a very good season of 8 wins and 2 losses. Coached by Mr. Hart, the boys were taught the basic fundamentals of basketball, and we, as students of Portage High School, are expecting some very fine basketball teams in the future.

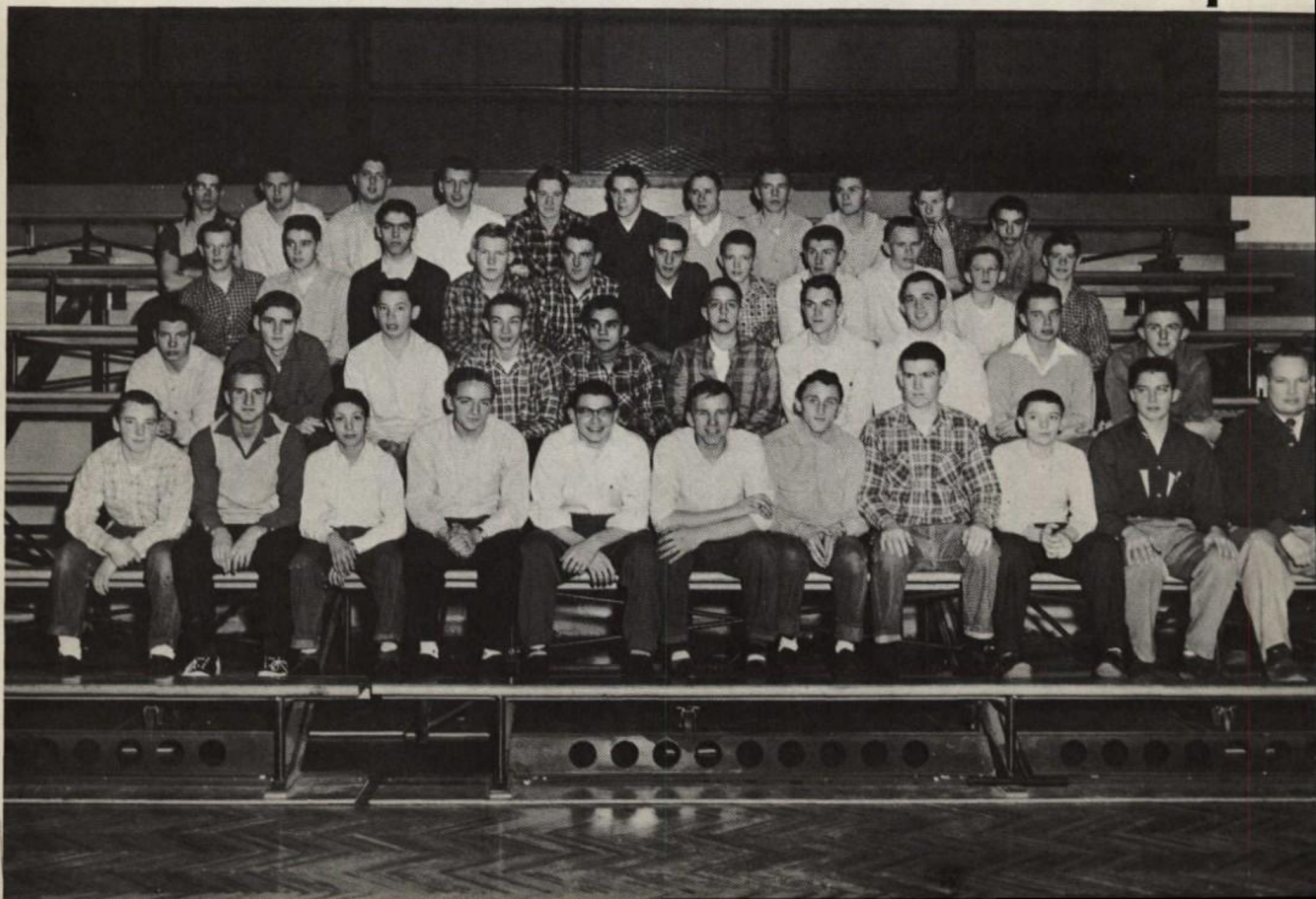
Front row (left to right): Bill Ryder, Ron Morren, John MacDonald, Steve Smith, Doyle Lyles, Gary Guthrie, John McCloud, Ron Burmeister, Rod Wichman. Back row: Dennis Leathers, Byron Morrison, Laverne Leversee, John Sullivan, Tom Andrews, George Hurd, Doug Spencer, Doug Bockstanz, Larry Downs, Bob Dee, Bob Brink, Ron Smith, manager, Ron Curtiss, Coach Mr. Hart.



Intramural Basketball

Again this year, Mr. Cloney, director of the intramural sports program has afforded the boys an opportunity to play the game just for fun. This organization offers a chance for some of the boys to play competitive sports with one another who otherwise do not get the chance.

Front row (left to right): Bob Williams, Ned Behl, Dick Koning, Roger Staffen, Tom Brouwer, John Bosma, Andy Van Goeye, Jim Barrett, Joe Eckley, Bob Oorbeck, coach, Mr. Cloney. Second row: Frank Hirdning, Howard DesVoignes, Jim Holton, Dave Cornell, Max Lane, Sonny Whisler, John Schneider, Bob Converse, Danny Burch, Bernard Medema. Third row: Roy Stockwell, Dick Bartholomew, Keith Newbury, Ed Davis, Doug Smith, Jim Coder, Gordon King, Don Hiemstra, Jake Dekkinga, Jim Huff, Bob Stockwell. Back row: Bob Simmons, Jim Murphy, Lee Coder, Gary Glowe, Bruce Hamilton, Landis McFinton, Bill Longjohn, Galen Smith, Norm Kingsley, Bob Lamb, John Koning.



Varsity Baseball

April 13	Plainwell	here
April 17	Allegan	there
April 20	South Haven	here
April 23	St. Augustine	there
April 27	Otsego	there
May 1	Vicksburg	here
May 4	State High	there
May 8	Plainwell	there
May 11	Allegan	here
May 15	South Haven	there
May 17	St. Augustine	here
May 22	Otsego	here
May 25	Vicksburg	there
May 29	State High	here

The Varsity Baseball team was directed by Coach Hart and were the defending Wolverine Champs. Most of the boys were back from last year and being backed by a fine group of new prospects they had a great season.

Front row (left to right): Bill Fletcher, Galen Smith, Dick Bartholomew, Ron Burke, Bob Oorbeck, Bill Warner, Bob Smith. Second row: Gary Glowe, Buster Morton, Tom Brouwer, Eugene Morrison, Ron Stonerock, Jim Barrett, Norm Kingsley, Gary Curtiss. Back row: Coach Hart, Gordon Fries, Dale Dratt, John Schneider, Bill Meyer, Dean Bekken, Mike Bosma, Don Decker, Sonny Whisler, Bob Lamb, Max Lane.



Reserve Baseball

April 13	Plainwell	there
April 19	Milwood	there
April 27	Otsego	here
May 1	Vicksburg	there
May 2	State High	here
May 8	Plainwell	here
May 9	South Haven	there
May 22	Otsego	there
May 25	Vicksburg	here
May 29	Milwood	there

The Reserve Baseball Team had many of it's old members back again this year. For the most part, however, it was comprised of new members many of them freshmen. Playing hard, as usual, they had a good season.

Front row (left to right): John McDonald, Laverne Leversee, Rodney Stockwell, Jay Beebe, Roy Stockwell, Doyle Lyles. Second row: Don Wood, Gary Guthrie, John McCloud, Steve Smith, Wayne Smith, Clyde Walker, Bruce McDonald. Back row: Jim Coder, George Minor, Gordon King, Stanley Plunkett, Mickey McDonald, Bill Ryder, Don Byrd, Roger Green, Coach Cloney.





Left to right: Coach Visser, Joe Eckley, Bill Hycoop, Jim Holton.

The golf team again "teed off" this year with their opening meeting on April 13. Mr. Visser, the golf coach, who is in his third year with the team, had a veteran squad back. The boys had 10 meetings this year and they ended up with a fine record.

April 13	Dowagiac
April 19	Plainwell
April 23	Three Rivers
April 30	State High
May 2	Dowagiac
May 4	St. Joseph
May 7	Three Rivers
May 9	Plainwell
May 11	State High
May 21	St. Joseph

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Golf

Wrestling

Niles	41	Portage	11
Coldwater	24	Portage	19
Allegan	16	Portage	46
Coldwater	45	Portage	18
Allegan	12	Portage	34

The Wrestling Team this year made a fine showing despite a final record of 2 wins and 3 losses. Under the fine coaching of Mr. Hinz, the boys placed fifth in the regional meet and fourteenth in the state. In the regionals Carl Bradfield placed 2nd in his division, Rodney Stockwell placed 3rd in his division, and four boys placed fourth. These boys were Francis Karn, Howard DesVoignes, Bob Stockwell and Ken Mack. In the state meet Carl Bradfield placed 4th in his division. We congratulate all of them.

Foreground: Jim Kline, Tony Haye. Front row (left to right): Rodney Stockwell, Bob Stockwell, Ken Mack, Ron Stockwell, Mark Lechner, Jay Beebe. Back row: Francis Karn, Paul Hamlin, Charles Stanford, Jim Phillips, Howard DesVoignes, Leonard Wilcox, Carl Bradfield.

Coach Hinz



Girls' Tennis

The girl's tennis team is to be congratulated. Their last four years have been outstanding and they are indeed a fine group of girls. This years competition consisted of matches with St. Augustine, State High, Vicksburg, Richland and Comstock.

Front row (left to right): June Kriebel, Marian Eshlaman, Billie Buck, Sue MacArthur. Back row: Mary Ann Farmer, Phyllis Fletcher, Elaine Tackett, Milly Dean.



Boys' Tennis

April 13	Dowagiac	there
April 16	St. Augustine	here
April 20	St. Joseph	there
April 26	to be filled	here
May 1	Three Rivers	there
May 4	State High	there
May 8	Plainwell	here
May 11	Allegan	there
May 15	South Haven	here
May 17	St. Joseph	here
May 21	Three Rivers	here
May 22	Otsego	there
May 25	Vicksburg	there

The boy's tennis team had a new coach this year. He was Mr. Kissinger, an elementary teacher new to our school system. With several returning lettermen the team has done much better than in the preceeding years.

Front row (left to right): Dave Smith, Pat Cloney, Terry Carlson, George Wedel, Alan Marcy, Chuck Arnold, George Hurd, Bruce Lovett. Back row: Bob Brink, Ed Wood, Walt Mason, Herb Gay, Tony Haye, Ron Harding, Coach Kissinger, Bob Beach, John Houts, Dave Moran, Bill Longjohn, Ron Wiser.



Cross Country

CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE AND SCORES

Portage 16	Plainwell	39
Portage 20	Hastings	46
Portage 15	Vicksburg	45
Portage 22	St. Augustine	37
Portage 17	Allegan	38
Portage 22	State High	36
Portage 28	Otsego	26

Conference.....Portage 1st place

Regionals.....Portage 3rd place

State.....Portage 8th place



Front row (left to right): Coach Kirkman, Bob Stockwell, Andy VanGoeye, Dennis Fitzgerald. Back row: Don Sosinski, Rand Lauritzen.

The team, again this year under the leadership of Ernie Kirkman, did a very commendable job. The team, mostly underclassmen, came out with a record of 6 wins against 1 defeat for regular schedule, won the conference meet, placed third in the regionals, and finished out the year with an 8th in the State. Again we offer our appreciation of a job well done.

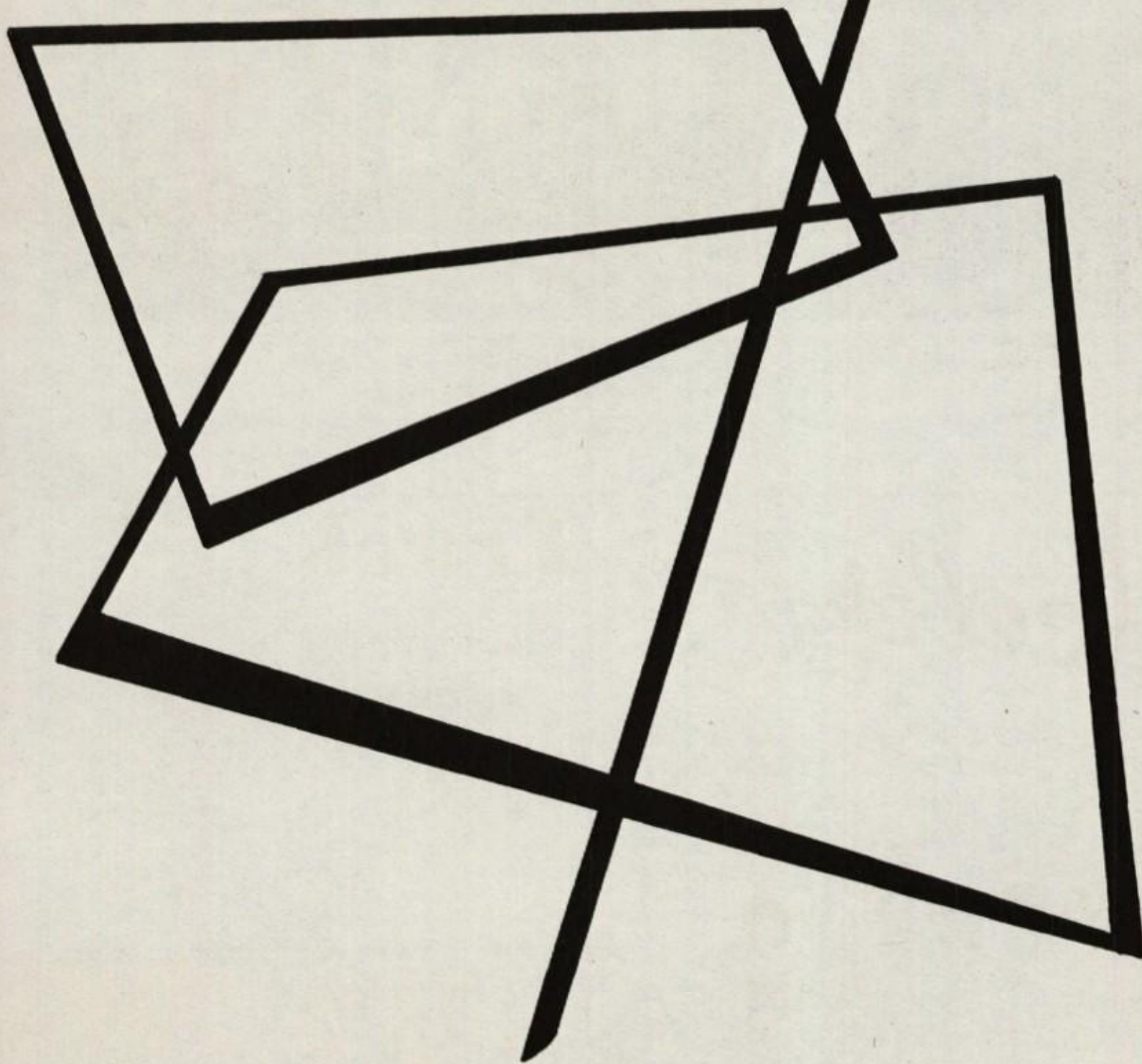
April 12	Allegan	there
April 16	St. Joseph	there
April 18	Otsego—South Haven	K. College
April 21	Hastings Relays	there
April 23	Dowagiac	there
April 25	State High—Plainwell	K. College
April 28	Portage Relays	K. College
May 5	Wolverine Conference	K. College
May 12	Regional	K. College
May 19	State Meet	Lansing
May 26	Bos Relay	Grand Rapids

Track

The Varsity Track team this year was under the Athletic Director, Ernie Kirkman and assistant coach "Ace" Candoli. Again this year they participated in a very rough schedule and had a fine season.

Front row (left to right): Jim Curtiss, Bob Simmons, Ken Mack, Dennis Fitzgerald, Bob Stockwell, Ron Curtiss, Jim Swonk, Landis McFinton, Louis Klein. Second row: Coach Candoli, Frances Karn, Doug Bockstanz, Dick Spiller, Alan Smith, Rodney Wichman, Andy VanGoeye, Chuck Stanford, Jim Phillips, Don Pillars. Back row: Ronald Barnard, Les Green, Dave Cornell, Tony Haye, Rand Lauritzen, David Durham, Roger Kramer, Roger Borden, Bob Heimstra, Bob Truax, Don Sosinski, Ken Carpenter, Coach Kirkman.





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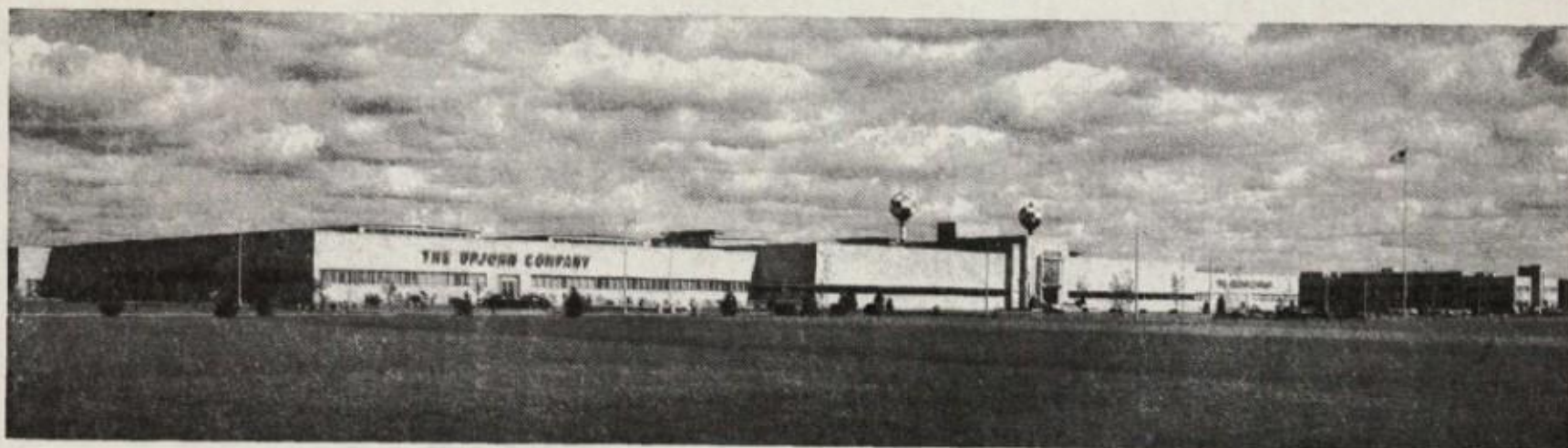
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